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On the C^{α} -convergence of the Solution of the Chern-Ricci Flow on Elliptic Surfaces

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Abstract. We will study the Chern-Ricci flow on non-Kähler properly elliptic surfaces. These surfaces are compact complex surfaces whose first Betti number is odd, Kodaira dimension is equal to 1 and admit an elliptic fibration to a smooth compact curve. We will show that a solution of the Chern-Ricci flow converges in C^{α} -topology on these elliptic surfaces by choosing a special initial metric.

1. Introduction

The Chern-Ricci flow is an analogue of the Ricci flow and the Kähler Ricci flow for Hermitian metrics on compact complex manifolds. It was firstly investigated by Gill [5] and he showed that a suitably normalized solution of the flow converges to Hermitian metrics with vanishing Chern-Ricci form in the C^{∞} -topology on a compact Hermitian manifold with its first Bott-Chern class is equal to zero. After that, Tosatti and Weinkove started to study the Chern-Ricci flow on some complex surfaces such as properly elliptic surfaces, Hopf surfaces and Inoue surfaces [10]. In this paper, we especially focus on the convergence of a solution of the normalized Chern-Ricci flow on minimal non-Kähler properly elliptic surfaces.

It has been investigated the behavior of the Kähler-Ricci flow in the case of a product elliptic surface $M = E \times S$, where E is an elliptic curve and S is a Riemann surface with $c_1(S) < 0$ by Song and Weinkove [8]. In this case, the solution of the normalized Kähler-Ricci flow on $M = E \times S$ converges to a Kähler-Einstein metric on S in C^{α} -topology for any $0 < \alpha < 1$. In the case of (unnormalized) Chern-Ricci flow on minimal non-Kähler properly elliptic surfaces, a smooth solution of the flow divided by t converges to an orbifold Kähler-Einstein metric smoothly as t goes to infinity [10]. And, it has been shown that the solution of the normalized Chern-Ricci flow converges to a Kähler-Einstein metric exponentially fast in C^0 -topology on minimal non-Kähler properly elliptic surfaces [11].

Our aim is to show that the convergence is possible in C^{α} -topology with the initial metric in the $\partial \bar{\partial}$ -class of the Vaisman metric [12]. This study is the one which was stimulated by the investigation of the normalized Chern-Ricci flow on Inoue surfaces [4].

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The normalized Chern-Ricci flow is given by

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\omega(t) = -\operatorname{Ric}(\omega(t)) - \omega(t), \\ \omega(t)|_{t=0} = \omega_0, \end{cases}$$

where $\omega_0 = \sqrt{-1}(g_0)_{i\bar{j}} dz^i \wedge d\bar{z}^j$ is a starting Hermitian metric and

$$\operatorname{Ric}(\omega) = -\sqrt{-1}\partial\bar{\partial}\log\det(g)$$

is the Chern-Ricci form of ω .

A non-Kähler properly elliptic surface M is a compact complex surface with its first Betti number $b_1(M) = \text{odd}$ and the Kodaira dimension Kod(M) = 1 which admits an elliptic fibration $\pi : M \to S$ to a smooth compact curve S. The Kodaira-Enriques classification tells us that properly elliptic surfaces are the only one case for minimal non-Kähler complex surfaces with Kod = 1 (cf. [1, p. 244]).

We assume that M is minimal, that is, there is no (-1)-curve on M. It has been shown that the universal cover of M is $\mathbb{C} \times H$ [6, Theorem 28], where H is the upper half plane. Also, it is known that there is a finite unramified covering $p : M' \to M$ which is a minimal properly elliptic surface $\pi' : M' \to S'$ and π' is an elliptic fiber bundle over a compact Riemann surface S' of genus at least 2, with fiber an elliptic curve E (cf. [3, Lemma 1, 2]). So we firstly assume that $\pi : M \to S$ is an elliptic bundle with fiber E with $g(S) \ge 2$, with M minimal, non-Kähler and Kod(M) = 1. It will be more convenient for us to work with $\mathbb{C}^* \times H$, where $\mathbb{C}^* := \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$. We define

$$h: \mathbf{C} \times H \to \mathbf{C}^* \times H, \quad h(z, z') = (e^{-\frac{z}{2}}, z'),$$

which is a holomorphic covering map. We will write (z_1, z_2) for the coordinates on $\mathbb{C}^* \times H$ and $z_i = x_i + \sqrt{-1}y_i$, $x_i, y_i \in \mathbb{R}$ for i = 1, 2, which means that we have $y_2 > 0$.

It has been shown that there exists a discrete subgroup $\Gamma \subset SL(2, \mathbf{R})$ with $H/\Gamma = S$, together with $\lambda \in \mathbf{C}^*$ with $|\lambda| \neq 1$ and $\mathbf{C}^*/\langle \lambda \rangle = E$ and with a character $\chi : \Gamma \to \mathbf{C}^*$ such that *M* is biholomorphic to the quotient of $\mathbf{C}^* \times H$ by the $\Gamma \times \mathbf{Z}$ -action defined by

$$\left(\begin{pmatrix}a & b\\c & d\end{pmatrix}, n\right) \cdot (z_1, z_2) = \left((cz_2 + d) \cdot z_1 \cdot \lambda^n \cdot \chi\left(\begin{pmatrix}a & b\\c & d\end{pmatrix}\right), \frac{az_2 + b}{cz_2 + d}\right)$$

and the map $\pi : M \to S$ is induced by the projection $\mathbb{C}^* \times H \to H$ (cf. [2, Proposition 2], [13, Theorem 7.4]). We define two forms on $\mathbb{C}^* \times H$ below:

$$\alpha := \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2y_2^2} dz_2 \wedge d\bar{z}_2, \quad \gamma := \sqrt{-1} \left(-\frac{2}{z_1} dz_1 + \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{y_2} dz_2 \right) \wedge \left(-\frac{2}{\bar{z}_1} d\bar{z}_1 - \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{y_2} d\bar{z}_2 \right).$$

We will denote $\omega_{\infty} := \alpha$. Since we can check that the forms on $\mathbb{C}^* \times H$; $\frac{\sqrt{-1}}{y_2^2} dz_2 \wedge d\overline{z}_2$ and $-\frac{2}{z_1} dz_1 + \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{y_2} dz_2$ are $\Gamma \times \mathbb{Z}$ -invariant, these forms α and γ are invariant under the $\Gamma \times \mathbb{Z}$ -action. Hence they descend to M and we define a Hermitian metric called a Vaisman metric

 $\omega_V = 2\alpha + \gamma$, which is Gauduchon, i.e., ω_V is a Hermitian metric satisfying $\partial \bar{\partial} \omega_V = 0$. Note that we may work in a single compact fundamental domain for M in $\mathbb{C}^* \times H$ using z_1, z_2 as local coordinates and we may assume that z_1, z_2 are uniformly bounded and that y_2 is uniformly bounded below away from zero.

Our main result is as follows:

THEOREM 1.1. Let M be a minimal non-Kähler properly elliptic surface and let $\omega(t)$ be the solution of the normalized Chern-Ricci flow starting at a Hermitian metric of the form

$$\omega_0 = \omega_V + \sqrt{-1}\partial\bar{\partial}\psi > 0$$

Then the metrics $\omega(t)$ are uniformly bounded in the C¹-topology, and as $t \to \infty$,

$$\omega(t) \to \omega_{\infty}$$
,

in the C^{α} -topology, for every $0 < \alpha < 1$.

2. PROOF OF THEOREM 1.1

We define reference metrics

$$\tilde{\omega} := e^{-t} \omega_V + (1 - e^{-t}) \alpha = e^{-t} \gamma + (1 + e^{-t}) \alpha \,,$$

which are Hermitian for any $t \ge 0$.

We define a volume form Ω by

$$\Omega = 2\alpha \wedge \gamma \, .$$

Then we have

$$\operatorname{Ric}(\varOmega) = -\sqrt{-1}\partial\bar{\partial}\log \varOmega = -\alpha \in c_1^{BC}(M)$$

It follows that the normalized Chern-Ricci flow is equivalent to the equation

(†)
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\varphi = \log \frac{e^t(\tilde{\omega} + \sqrt{-1}\partial\bar{\partial}\varphi)^2}{\Omega} - \varphi, \quad \tilde{\omega} + \sqrt{-1}\partial\bar{\partial}\varphi > 0, \quad \varphi(0) = \psi.$$

If $\varphi = \varphi(t)$ solves (†), then $\omega(t) = \tilde{\omega} + \sqrt{-1}\partial\bar{\partial}\varphi$ is the solution of the normalized Chern-Ricci flow. On the other hand, given a solution $\omega(t)$ of the normalized Chern-Ricci flow, we can find a solution $\varphi = \varphi(t)$ of the equation (†) with $\omega(t) = \tilde{\omega} + \sqrt{-1}\partial\bar{\partial}\varphi$.

Here we let $\varphi = \varphi(t)$ solves the equation above and we will write

$$\omega = \omega(t) = \tilde{\omega} + \sqrt{-1}\partial\bar{\partial}\varphi.$$

We have the following lemma (cf. [4, Lemma 2.2], [11, Lemma 3.4]):

LEMMA 2.1. There exists a uniform constant C > 0 such that for all $t \ge 0$,

(1) $|\varphi| \leq C(1+t)e^{-t}$ (2) $|\dot{\varphi}| \leq C$ (3) $C^{-1}\tilde{\omega}^2 \le \omega^2 \le C\tilde{\omega}^2$.

We can show the desired result by computing directly as in [4] and the following estimates play the most important role in our argument.

LEMMA 2.2. There exists a uniform constant C > 0 such that

- (1) $|\tilde{T}|_{\tilde{g}} \leq C.$ (2) $|\tilde{\partial}\tilde{T}|_{\tilde{g}} + |\tilde{\nabla}\tilde{T}|_{\tilde{g}} + |\tilde{R}|_{\tilde{g}} \leq C.$
- (3) $|\tilde{\nabla}\tilde{R}|_{\tilde{g}} + |\overline{\tilde{\nabla}\tilde{\nabla}}\tilde{T}|_{\tilde{g}} + |\tilde{\nabla}\overline{\tilde{\nabla}}\tilde{T}|_{\tilde{g}} \le C,$

where \tilde{T} is the torsion tensor of \tilde{g} , written locally as $\tilde{T}_{ij}^k = \tilde{\Gamma}_{ij}^k - \tilde{\Gamma}_{ji}^k$, $\tilde{T}_{ij\bar{l}} = \tilde{T}_{ij}^k g_{k\bar{l}}$, \tilde{R} is the Chern curvature tensor of \tilde{g} , locally written as $\tilde{R}_{i\bar{j}k}^{\ \ l} = -\partial_{\bar{j}}\tilde{\Gamma}_{ik}^{\ \ l}$ and $\tilde{\nabla}$ is the Chern connection associated to \tilde{g} .

PROOF. Using the local coordinates (z_1, z_2) as in the previous section, we will write $\omega = \sqrt{-1}g_{i\bar{j}}dz^i \wedge d\bar{z}^j$, $\tilde{\omega} = \sqrt{-1}\tilde{g}_{i\bar{j}}dz^i \wedge d\bar{z}^j$ and we have

$$\begin{split} \tilde{g}_{1\bar{1}} &= \frac{4}{|z_1|^2} e^{-t} \,, \quad \tilde{g}_{1\bar{2}} = \sqrt{-1} \frac{2}{z_1 y_2} e^{-t} \,, \quad \tilde{g}_{2\bar{1}} = -\sqrt{-1} \frac{2}{\bar{z}_1 y_2} e^{-t} \,, \\ \tilde{g}_{2\bar{2}} &= \frac{1 + e^{-t}}{2y_2^2} + \frac{e^{-t}}{y_2^2} \,, \quad \det \tilde{g} = \frac{2e^{-t}(1 + e^{-t})}{|z_1|^2 y_2^2} \,, \end{split}$$

and

$$\tilde{g}^{1\bar{1}} = \frac{e^t (1+3e^{-t})|z_1|^2}{4(1+e^{-t})}, \quad \tilde{g}^{1\bar{2}} = \sqrt{-1}\frac{z_1 y_2}{1+e^{-t}}, \quad \tilde{g}^{2\bar{1}} = -\sqrt{-1}\frac{\bar{z}_1 y_2}{1+e^{-t}}, \quad \tilde{g}^{2\bar{2}} = \frac{2y_2^2}{1+e^{-t}}.$$

The Christoffel symbols $\tilde{\Gamma}_{ij}^k$ of the Chern connection of \tilde{g} are as follows:

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\Gamma}_{11}^2 &= \tilde{\Gamma}_{12}^1 = \tilde{\Gamma}_{12}^2 = 0\,,\\ \tilde{\Gamma}_{21}^1 &= -\sqrt{-1} \frac{1}{y_2(1+e^t)}\,, \quad \tilde{\Gamma}_{21}^2 &= -\frac{2}{z_1(1+e^t)}\,,\\ \tilde{\Gamma}_{22}^1 &= -\frac{z_1(1+3e^{-t})}{4y_2^2(1+e^{-t})}\,, \quad \tilde{\Gamma}_{11}^1 &= -\frac{1+3e^{-t}}{z_1(1+e^{-t})} + \frac{2}{z_1(1+e^t)} \end{split}$$

and

$$\tilde{\Gamma}_{22}^2 = -\sqrt{-1}\frac{1}{y_2(1+e^t)} + \sqrt{-1}\frac{1+3e^{-t}}{y_2(1+e^{-t})}.$$

Hence the torsion tensor \tilde{T} of \tilde{g} can be given by

$$\tilde{T}_{21}^1 = -\sqrt{-1} \frac{1}{y_2(1+e^t)}, \quad \tilde{T}_{12}^2 = \frac{2}{z_1(1+e^t)}.$$

The Chern curvature tensor \tilde{R} of \tilde{g} can be computed in the following way:

$$\tilde{R}_{2\bar{2}1}^{\ 1} = \frac{1}{2y_2^2(1+e^t)}, \quad \tilde{R}_{2\bar{2}2}^{\ 2} = -\frac{2+e^t}{2y_2^2(1+e^t)},$$
$$\tilde{R}_{2\bar{2}2}^{\ 1} = -\sqrt{-1}\frac{z_1(1+3e^{-t})}{4y_2^3(1+e^{-t})}$$

and other components of the tensor \tilde{R}

$$\begin{split} \tilde{R}_{2\bar{1}2}^{\ 1}, \tilde{R}_{2\bar{1}1}^{\ 1}, \tilde{R}_{1\bar{2}1}^{\ 2}, \tilde{R}_{1\bar{1}1}^{\ 2}, \tilde{R}_{1\bar{1}1}^{\ 1}, \tilde{R}_{2\bar{1}2}^{\ 2}, \tilde{R}_{1\bar{2}1}^{\ 1}, \\ \tilde{R}_{1\bar{1}2}^{\ 2}, \tilde{R}_{1\bar{2}2}^{\ 2}, \tilde{R}_{2\bar{1}1}^{\ 2}, \tilde{R}_{2\bar{2}1}^{\ 2}, \tilde{R}_{1\bar{1}2}^{\ 1}, \tilde{R}_{1\bar{2}2}^{\ 1} \end{split}$$

are all equal to zero.

We compute

$$\partial_{\bar{1}}\tilde{T}_{12}^2 = \partial_{\bar{2}}\tilde{T}_{12}^2 = 0, \quad \partial_{\bar{1}}\tilde{T}_{21}^1 = 0, \quad \partial_{\bar{2}}\tilde{T}_{21}^1 = -\frac{1}{2y_2^2(1+e^t)}$$

and

$$\tilde{\nabla}_1 \tilde{T}_{12}^2 = \partial_1 \tilde{T}_{12}^2 - \tilde{\Gamma}_{11}^1 \tilde{T}_{12}^2 = O(e^{-t}), \quad \tilde{\nabla}_1 \tilde{T}_{21}^1 = 0,$$

 $\tilde{\nabla}_2 \tilde{T}_{21}^1 = \partial_2 \tilde{T}_{21}^1 - \tilde{\Gamma}_{22}^2 \tilde{T}_{21}^1 + \tilde{\Gamma}_{22}^1 \tilde{T}_{21}^2 = O(e^{-t}), \quad \tilde{\nabla}_2 \tilde{T}_{12}^2 = -\tilde{\Gamma}_{21}^1 \tilde{T}_{12}^2 + \tilde{\Gamma}_{21}^2 \tilde{T}_{12}^1 = O(e^{-2t}).$

By direct calculation, we have

$$\tilde{\nabla}_1 \tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{2}} \tilde{T}^1_{21} = 0, \quad \tilde{\nabla}_2 \tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{2}} \tilde{T}^1_{21} = \partial_2 \partial_{\bar{2}} \tilde{T}^1_{21} + (\tilde{\Gamma}^1_{22} - \tilde{\Gamma}^2_{22}) \partial_{\bar{2}} \tilde{T}^1_{21} = O(e^{-t}),$$

$$\tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{2}}\tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{1}}\tilde{T}_{21}^{1} = -\overline{\tilde{\Gamma}_{21}^{2}}\partial_{\bar{2}}\tilde{T}_{21}^{1} = O(e^{-2t}), \quad \tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{2}}\tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{2}}\tilde{T}_{21}^{1} = \partial_{\bar{2}}\partial_{\bar{2}}\tilde{T}_{21}^{1} - \overline{\tilde{\Gamma}_{22}^{2}}\partial_{\bar{2}}\tilde{T}_{21}^{1} = O(e^{-t})$$

and

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\nabla}_2 \tilde{\nabla}_2 \tilde{T}_{12}^2 &= \tilde{\Gamma}_{21}^2 \partial_{\bar{2}} \tilde{T}_{12}^1 = O(e^{-2t}) \,, \quad \tilde{\nabla}_2 \tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{1}} \tilde{T}_{12}^2 = 0 \,, \quad \tilde{\nabla}_1 \tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{1}} \tilde{T}_{12}^2 = 0 \,, \\ \tilde{\nabla}_1 \tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{2}} \tilde{T}_{12}^2 &= \partial_1 \partial_{\bar{2}} \tilde{T}_{12}^2 - \tilde{\Gamma}_{11}^1 \partial_{\bar{2}} \tilde{T}_{12}^2 + \tilde{\Gamma}_{11}^2 \partial_{\bar{2}} \tilde{T}_{12}^1 = 0 \,. \end{split}$$

For any i, j = 1, 2, we have

$$\tilde{\nabla}_i \tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{1}} \tilde{T}_{21}^1 = 0, \quad \tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{1}} \tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{j}} \tilde{T}_{21}^1 = 0$$

and

$$\tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{i}}\tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{j}}\tilde{T}_{12}^2=0.$$

We can also check that

$$\tilde{\nabla}_2 \tilde{R}_{2\bar{2}2}^{2} \,^2, \, \tilde{\nabla}_1 \tilde{R}_{2\bar{2}2}^{1} \,^1, \, \tilde{\nabla}_2 \tilde{R}_{2\bar{2}2}^{1}$$

are of order O(1),

$$\tilde{\nabla}_2 \tilde{R}_{2\bar{2}1}^{1}$$

is of order $O(e^{-t})$, and other components

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\nabla}_{1}\tilde{R}_{2\bar{1}2}^{2} &\stackrel{2}{,} \tilde{\nabla}_{2}\tilde{R}_{2\bar{1}2}^{2} \stackrel{2}{,} \tilde{\nabla}_{1}\tilde{R}_{2\bar{2}2}^{2} \stackrel{2}{,} \tilde{\nabla}_{1}\tilde{R}_{1\bar{1}1}^{1} \stackrel{1}{,} \tilde{\nabla}_{2}\tilde{R}_{1\bar{1}1}^{1} \stackrel{1}{,} \tilde{\nabla}_{1}\tilde{R}_{1\bar{1}1}^{2}, \\ & \tilde{\nabla}_{2}\tilde{R}_{1\bar{1}1}^{2} , \tilde{\nabla}_{1}\tilde{R}_{1\bar{2}1}^{2} , \tilde{\nabla}_{2}\tilde{R}_{1\bar{2}1}^{2}, \\ & \tilde{\nabla}_{1}\tilde{R}_{2\bar{1}1}^{1} \stackrel{1}{,} \tilde{\nabla}_{2}\tilde{R}_{2\bar{1}1}^{1} \stackrel{1}{,} \tilde{\nabla}_{1}\tilde{R}_{2\bar{2}1}^{2} \stackrel{1}{,} \tilde{\nabla}_{1}\tilde{R}_{2\bar{1}2}^{1} \stackrel{1}{,} \tilde{\nabla}_{2}\tilde{R}_{2\bar{1}2}^{1} \end{split}$$

are all equal to zero.

Using the estimates in Lemma 2.1, we can obtain the following estimates (cf. [4, Theorem 2.4], [11, Section 5, 6, 7]):

LEMMA 2.3. For $\varphi = \varphi(t)$ solving (†) on *M*, the estimates below hold.

(1) There exists a uniform constant C > 0 such that

$$\frac{1}{C}\tilde{\omega} \le \omega(t) \le C\tilde{\omega}.$$

(2) There exists a uniform constant C > 0 such that the Chern scalar curvature $Scal_{g(t)}$ of g(t) satisfies the bound

$$-C \leq Scal_{g(t)} \leq C$$

(3) For any η , σ with $0 < \eta < \frac{1}{2}$ and $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$, there exists a constant $C_{\eta,\sigma} > 0$ such that

$$-C_{\eta,\sigma}e^{-\eta t} \leq \dot{\varphi}(t) \leq C_{\eta,\sigma}e^{-\sigma t}$$
.

(4) For any ε with $0 < \varepsilon < \frac{1}{4}$, there exists a constant $C_{\varepsilon} > 0$ such that

$$(1 - C_{\varepsilon} e^{-\varepsilon t})\tilde{\omega} \le \omega(t) \le (1 + C_{\varepsilon} e^{-\varepsilon t})\tilde{\omega}.$$

Denote by $\Psi_{ij}^k := \Gamma_{ij}^k - \tilde{\Gamma}_{ij}^k$, the difference of the Christoffel symbols of g and \tilde{g} , which satisfies $\mathcal{S} := |\tilde{\nabla}g|_g^2 = |\Psi|_g^2$. The quantity $|\tilde{\nabla}g|_g^2$ is equivalent to $|\tilde{\nabla}g|_{\tilde{g}}^2$ from the result (1) in Lemma 2.2. Note that we will write locally $\alpha = \sqrt{-1}\alpha_{i\bar{j}}dz^i \wedge d\bar{z}^j$.

Then we compute the evolution of S (cf. [7]):

$$\begin{split} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta\right) &\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{S} - |\overline{\nabla}\Psi|_g^2 - |\nabla\Psi|_g^2 \\ &+ g^{i\bar{j}} g^{r\bar{s}} g^{a\bar{b}} \Big(\nabla_r \overline{T_{bj\bar{a}}} + \nabla_{\bar{b}} T_{ar\bar{j}}\Big) \Psi_{ip}^k \overline{\Psi_{sq}^l} g^{p\bar{q}} g_{k\bar{l}} \\ &+ g^{i\bar{j}} g^{r\bar{s}} g^{a\bar{b}} \Big(\nabla_r \overline{T_{bj\bar{a}}} + \nabla_{\bar{b}} T_{ar\bar{j}}\Big) \Psi_{pi}^k \overline{\Psi_{qs}^l} g^{p\bar{q}} g_{k\bar{l}} \end{split}$$

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$$-g^{i\bar{j}}g^{r\bar{s}}g^{a\bar{b}}\left(\nabla_{k}\overline{T_{bs\bar{a}}}+\nabla_{\bar{b}}T_{ak\bar{s}}\right)\Psi_{ip}^{k}\overline{\Psi_{jq}^{m}}g^{p\bar{q}}g_{r\bar{m}}$$
$$-2\operatorname{Re}\left[\left[g^{r\bar{s}}(\nabla_{i}\nabla_{p}\overline{T_{sl\bar{r}}}+\nabla_{i}\nabla_{\bar{s}}T_{rp\bar{l}}\right]\right]$$
$$-T_{ir}^{a}R_{a\bar{s}p\bar{l}}+g_{k\bar{l}}\nabla_{r}\tilde{R}_{i\bar{s}p}^{k})+g_{k\bar{l}}\tilde{g}^{k\bar{s}}\tilde{\nabla}_{i}\alpha_{p\bar{s}}\overline{\Psi_{jq}}g^{i\bar{j}}g^{p\bar{q}}\right],$$

where ∇ , Δ are the Chern connection and the Laplacian with respect to g, and in this computation, we used especially that $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\tilde{g}_{k\bar{l}} = -\tilde{g}_{k\bar{l}} + \alpha_{k\bar{l}}$ and $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\tilde{\Gamma}^k_{ip} = \tilde{g}^{k\bar{\delta}}\tilde{\nabla}_i\alpha_{p\bar{\delta}}$.

With using $\tilde{T}_{ij\bar{k}} = \tilde{T}^k_{ij}\tilde{g}_{k\bar{l}} = T^k_{ij}g_{k\bar{l}} = T_{ij\bar{k}}$, we can compute as follows:

$$\nabla_{\bar{b}}T_{ar\bar{j}} = \tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{b}}\tilde{T}_{ar\bar{j}} - \overline{\Psi_{bj}^s}\tilde{T}_{ar\bar{s}} \,,$$

$$\begin{split} \nabla_{i}\nabla_{\bar{s}}T_{rp}^{k} &= g^{\bar{l}k} \Big(\tilde{\nabla}_{i}\tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{s}}\tilde{T}_{rp\bar{l}} - \Psi_{ir}^{a}\tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{s}}\tilde{T}_{ap\bar{l}} - \Psi_{ip}^{a}\tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{s}}\tilde{T}_{ra\bar{l}} \\ &- (\tilde{\nabla}_{i}\overline{\Psi_{sl}^{q}})\tilde{T}_{rp\bar{q}} - \overline{\Psi_{sl}^{q}}(\tilde{\nabla}_{i}\tilde{T}_{rp\bar{q}} - \Psi_{ir}^{a}\tilde{T}_{ap\bar{q}} - \Psi_{ip}^{a}\tilde{T}_{ra\bar{q}}) \Big) \\ g^{r\bar{s}}T_{ir}^{a}R_{a\bar{s}p\bar{l}} &= g^{r\bar{s}}g^{a\bar{b}}\tilde{T}_{ir\bar{b}} \Big(\tilde{R}_{a\bar{s}p}^{\ \delta}g_{\delta\bar{l}} - \nabla_{\bar{s}}\Psi_{ap}^{\delta}g_{\delta\bar{l}} \Big) \,. \end{split}$$

And we also can easily compute

$$\nabla_r \tilde{R}_{i\bar{s}p}^{\ \ k} = \tilde{\nabla}_r \tilde{R}_{i\bar{s}p}^{\ \ k} - \Psi_{ri}^a \tilde{R}_{a\bar{s}p}^{\ \ k} - \Psi_{rp}^a \tilde{R}_{i\bar{s}a}^{\ \ k} + \Psi_{ra}^k \tilde{R}_{i\bar{s}p}^{\ \ a},$$

and

$$|\tilde{\nabla}\alpha|_{\tilde{g}} \leq C$$

since the only nonzero component of α is $\alpha_{2\overline{2}} = \frac{1}{2y_2^2}$ (cf. [4]).

Therefore, with using the estimate in Lemma 2.1 and (1) in Lemma 2.3, we obtain

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta\right) \mathcal{S} \le C(\mathcal{S}^{\frac{3}{2}} + 1) - \frac{1}{2}(|\overline{\nabla}\Psi|_g^2 + |\nabla\Psi|_g^2)$$

We also have the evolution of $\operatorname{tr}_{\tilde{q}} g$ (cf. [7]):

$$\begin{split} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta\right) \mathrm{tr}_{\tilde{g}} g &= -g^{\bar{j}p} g^{\bar{q}i} \tilde{g}^{\bar{l}k} \tilde{\nabla}_k g_{i\bar{j}} \tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{l}} g_{p\bar{q}} - 2\mathrm{Re} \left(g^{\bar{j}i} \tilde{g}^{\bar{l}k} \tilde{T}_{ki}^p \tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{l}} g_{p\bar{j}}\right) \\ &- g^{\bar{j}i} \left(\tilde{\nabla}_i \overline{\tilde{T}_{jp}^p} + \tilde{g}^{\bar{l}k} \tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{l}} \tilde{T}_{ik\bar{j}}\right) + g^{\bar{j}i} \tilde{g}^{\bar{l}k} \left(\tilde{\nabla}_i \overline{\tilde{T}_{jl}^q} - \tilde{R}_{i\bar{l}p}{}^s \tilde{g}_{s\bar{j}} \tilde{g}^{\bar{q}p}\right) g_{k\bar{q}} \\ &+ g^{\bar{j}i} \tilde{g}^{\bar{l}k} \tilde{T}_{ik}^p \overline{\tilde{T}_{jl}^q} (\tilde{g} - g)_{p\bar{q}} - \tilde{g}^{k\bar{2}} \tilde{g}^{2\bar{l}} g_{k\bar{l}} \alpha_{2\bar{2}} \,. \end{split}$$

We use the fact that g and \tilde{g} are uniformly equivalent in Lemma 2.3 (1). We compute that

$$\tilde{g}^{k\bar{2}}\tilde{g}^{2\bar{l}}g_{k\bar{l}}\alpha_{2\bar{2}} \le C\tilde{g}^{k\bar{2}}\tilde{g}^{2\bar{l}}\tilde{g}_{k\bar{l}}\alpha_{2\bar{2}} = C\tilde{g}^{2\bar{2}}\alpha_{2\bar{2}} = \frac{C}{1+e^{-t}} \le C$$

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for some constant C > 0 independent of t, then we again use the result in Lemma 2.1 and can obtain

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta\right) \operatorname{tr}_{\tilde{g}}g \leq -\frac{1}{C}\mathcal{S} + C(\mathcal{S}^{\frac{1}{2}} + 1),$$

for a uniform constant C > 0. Then we apply the way in [7, Section 3] and we have the uniform estimate $S \leq C$.

Note that we write locally $\omega_V = \sqrt{-1}(g_V)_{i\bar{j}}dz^i \wedge d\bar{z}^j$. As we confirmed in Lemma 2.1, since all components of the Christoffel symbols of \tilde{g} are uniformly bounded as t approaches infinity, we have that

$$|\tilde{\Gamma} - \Gamma_V|_{g_V} \le C ,$$

where Γ_V are the Christoffel symbols of g_V . Together with the fact that $\tilde{g} \leq C g_V$, we finally obtain

$$|\nabla_V g|_{g_V} \le |\tilde{\nabla}g|_{g_V} + C \le C |\tilde{\nabla}g|_{\tilde{q}} + C \le C.$$

Then it only suffices to apply the same way in the proof of [11, Corollary 1.2] and the result holds also on a minimal non-Kähler properly elliptic surface: Recall that there exists a finite unramified covering $p: M' \to M$ with deck transformation group Γ , where M' is a minimal properly elliptic surface, $\pi': M' \to S'$ is an elliptic fiber bundle over a compact Riemann surface S' of genus at least 2 (π' is Γ -equivalent) and M is a non-Kähler minimal properly elliptic surface which admits an elliptic fibration $\pi: M \to S$ to a smooth compact curve S. The curve S' is a finite cover of S ramified at the images of the multiple fibers of π , with quotient $S = S'/\Gamma$ and the quotient map $q: S' \to S$ satisfies $q \circ \pi' = \pi \circ p$. We denote by α the form on S associated to the form α' on S' (which is the form $\alpha = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2y_2^2}dz_2 \wedge d\bar{z}_2$ defined in the previous section). (π')* α' is a smooth real (1, 1)-form on M', which equals to $p^*\pi^*\alpha$.

Note that when $\pi : M \to S$ is not a fiber bundle, π has no singular fibers, but it might have multiple fibers. Let $D \subset M$ be the set of all multiple fibers of π , so that $\pi(D)$ consists of finitely many points. Then we have that M is a quotient of $\mathbb{C}^* \times H$ by a discrete subgroup Γ' of $SL(2, \mathbb{R}) \times \mathbb{C}^*$, which acts by

$$\left(\begin{pmatrix}a&b\\c&d\end{pmatrix},t\right)\cdot(z_1,z_2)=\left((cz_2+d)\cdot z_1\cdot t,\frac{az_2+b}{cz_2+d}\right),$$

and the map $\pi : M \to S$ is induced by the projection $\mathbb{C}^* \times H \to H$. The case we were considering in the previous section can be obtained by mapping

$$SL(2, \mathbf{R}) \times \mathbf{Z} \ni (A, n) \mapsto (A, \lambda^n \chi(A)) \in SL(2, \mathbf{R}) \times \mathbf{C}^*$$

where $\lambda \in \mathbf{C}^*$ with $|\lambda| \neq 1$ and $\mathbf{C}^*/\langle \lambda \rangle = E$ and with a character $\chi : \mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbf{R}) \to \mathbf{C}^*$. If we consider the projection Γ'' of Γ' to $\mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbf{R})$, the Γ'' -action on H is generally not free.

Hence the quotient $S = H/\Gamma''$ is an orbifold and the finitely many orbifolds of *S* are precisely equal to $\pi(D)$. Since the two forms α and γ on $\mathbb{C}^* \times H$ are still invariant under the Γ' -action, they descend to *M*. We can then define ω_0 as in the previous section. Notice that α is now an orbifold Kähler-Einstein metric on *S*.

Given any initial metric ω_0 in the $\partial\partial$ -class of the Vaisman metric on M, we denote $\omega'_0 = p^*\omega_0$, which is a Γ -invariant Gauduchon metric in the $\partial\bar\partial$ -class of the Vaisman metric on M'. Then, let $\omega(t)$, $\omega'(t)$ be solutions of the normalized Chern-Ricci flow on each surface M' and M starting at ω_0 , ω'_0 respectively. Note that $\omega'(t)$ is equal to $p^*\omega(t)$.

For a sufficiently small open set $U \subset M$ so that $p^{-1}(U)$ is a disjoint union of finitely many copies U_j of U. Then $p : U_j \to U$ is a biholomorphism for each j and the Γ action on $p^{-1}(U)$ permutes the U_j 's. Hence for each j, the map $p : U_j \to U$ gives an isometry between $\omega'(t)|_{U_j}$ and $\omega(t)|_U$ and also between $(\pi'^*\alpha')|_{U_j}$ and $(\pi^*\alpha)|_U$. We apply the argument we discussed above to the elliptic bundle $\pi' : M' \to S'$. Then it follows that $\omega'(t)$ converges to α' in C^{α} -topology for any $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ as $t \to \infty$. Hence the solution of the normalized Chern-Ricci flow $\omega(t)$ on M starting at ω_0 also converges to ω_{∞} in C^{α} -topology for any $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ as $t \to \infty$.

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