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Eta Invariants and Automorphisms of Compact Complex Manifolds

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§1. Introduction

Let M be an m-dimensional compact complex manifold, G the group of all automorphisms of M and \mathfrak{g} the complex Lie algebra of all holomorphic vector fields on M. In [F1, FMo] we defined a complex Lie algebra character $\mathcal{F} : \mathfrak{g} \to \mathbb{C}$ with properties that \mathcal{F} depends only on the complex structure of M, and that the vanishing of \mathcal{F} is a necessary condition for M to admit an Einstein-Kähler metric. \mathcal{F} can be lifted to a group character $\widehat{\mathcal{F}} : G \to \mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z}$. For these we refer the reader to a survey [FMaS], Chapters 1 and 3 in this volume; but brief reviews of \mathcal{F} and $\widehat{\mathcal{F}}$ will be given respectively in this section and at the beginning of Section 3.

In this paper we apply the theory of eta invariants of [APS] and [D] to obtain an interpretation of $\widehat{\mathcal{F}}$ in terms of eta invariants (Theorem 3.7) and a localization formula for $\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(a)$ in terms of the fixed point set of an automorphism $a \in G$ (Theorem 3.10). We also compute a few examples.

An unsolved question, which motivated this study, is whether M admits an Einstein-Kähler metric if $c_1(M) > 0$ and $\mathfrak{g} = \{0\}$. Note that if $\mathfrak{g} = \{0\}$ then $\mathcal{F} = 0$ trivially. Our study began with an attempt to know whether $\widehat{\mathcal{F}}$ can play any role even if $\mathfrak{g} = \{0\}$. If $c_1(M) > 0$ and $\mathfrak{g} = \{0\}$ then G is a finite group and the imaginary part $\operatorname{Im} \widehat{\mathcal{F}} : G \to \mathbb{R}$ vanishes identically, but the real part $\operatorname{Re} \widehat{\mathcal{F}} : G \to \mathbb{R} / \mathbb{Z}$ may not do. Our aim is therefore to find an example of a compact complex manifold with $\mathfrak{g} = \{0\}$ and with $\widehat{\mathcal{F}} \neq 0$. We mention however that it is not known whether $\widehat{\mathcal{F}} \neq 0$ implies the nonexistence of an Einstein-Kähler metric,

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while it is obvious from the definition of \mathcal{F} that $\mathcal{F} \neq 0$ implies the nonexistence of an Einstein-Kähler metric. Let us recall the definition of \mathcal{F} .

Let h be a Hermitian metric of M, and $\omega = (i/2\pi)h_{\alpha\bar{\beta}}dz^{\alpha} \wedge d\bar{z}^{\beta}$ be its fundamental 2-form. Let \mathcal{Y} be a holomorphic vector field on M. The character \mathcal{F} can be expressed by

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{Y}) = (m+1)rac{i}{2\pi}\int_M \operatorname{div}(\mathcal{Y}) \ c_1(h)^m,$$

where $\operatorname{div}(\mathcal{Y})$ is the complex divergence defined by

$$d(i(\mathcal{Y}) \ \omega^m) = \operatorname{div}(\mathcal{Y}) \ \omega^m$$

and $c_1(h)$ is the first Chern form with respect to h:

$$c_1(h) = - \; rac{i}{2\pi} \; \partial ar{\partial} \; \log \det \; (h_{lpha ar{eta}}).$$

If h is an Einstein-Kähler metric, i.e. $c_1(h) = k\omega$ for some real constant k, then, from the Stokes theorem

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{Y}) = (m+1)rac{ik^m}{2\pi}\int_M d(i(\mathcal{Y})\;\omega^m) = 0.$$

Thus $\mathcal{F} \neq 0$ implies the nonexistence of an Einstein-Kähler metric. This statement is strengthened as follows: $\mathcal{F} \neq 0$ implies the nonexistence of a Hermitian metric such that for some real constant k'

$$c_1(h)^m = k'\omega^m,$$

for we can rewrite the above formula of $\mathcal F$ as

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{Y}) = -(m+1)\int_M \mathcal{Y}(rac{c_1(h)^m}{\omega^m}) \;\; \omega^m.$$

Note that $c_1(h)^m/\omega^m$ is a smooth function globally well defined on M.

In Section 4 we shall exhibit an example of a rational surface with $\mathfrak{g} = \{0\}$ and with $\widehat{\mathcal{F}} \neq 0$. The first Chern class of this surface, however, is not positive. We could not find an example with an additional assumption $c_1(M) > 0$.

Finally we mention the recent existence results of Einstein-Kähler metrics of positive Ricci curvature. First of all, in [Sa, KS1, KS2] Sakane and Koiso considered a certain class of \mathbb{P}^1 -bundles with \mathbb{C}^* -action which restrict to actions on the fibers \mathbb{P}^1 . Let \mathcal{Y} be the holomorphic vector

field induced from this action. They showed that $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{Y}) = 0$ becomes a sufficient condition for the existence of an Einstein-Kähler metric of positive Ricci curvature. In the proof of this result it is shown that if $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{Y}) \neq 0$ then the regularity of the solution to the Einstein equation is spoiled along the zero set zero(\mathcal{Y}) of \mathcal{Y} . Note that zero(\mathcal{Y}) is the fixed point set of the C*-action. Secondly Siu [Si], Tian [T] and Tian and Yau [TY] proved that every differentiable type of $\mathbb{P}^2 \ \sharp \ k \overline{\mathbb{P}^2}$ with $3 \leq k \leq 8$ admits an Einstein-Kähler metric of positive Ricci curvature. The methods of their proofs show that if M has good symmetries one can prove the existence of an Einstein-Kähler metric.

§2. Signature operators and eta invariants

In this section we review the definitions and known results on the eta invariants. We refer the reader to [APS] and [D] for the detail. Let X be a real 2*l*-dimensional compact oriented smooth manifold with boundary Y, and ξ a complex vector bundle over X. Assume that the metrics and metric connections of X and ξ are product near the boundary. Let τ be an involution of $\wedge^*T^*X \otimes \xi$ defined by

$$au(lpha) = i^{q(q-1)+l} * lpha \quad \text{for} \quad lpha \in \wedge^q T^*X \otimes \xi$$

where $*: \wedge^q T^*X \otimes \xi \to \wedge^{2l-q}T^*X \otimes \xi$ is the Hodge star operator defined by the metric and the orientation of X. Let \wedge^+ be the subbundle of $\wedge^{\text{even}}T^*X \otimes \xi$ which consists of +1-eigenvectors of τ , and \wedge^- the subbundle of $\wedge^{\text{odd}}T^*X \otimes \xi$ which consists of -1-eigenvectors of τ . Let $\Gamma(\wedge^+:P)$ denote the the subspace of $\Gamma(\wedge^+)$ satisfying the boundary condition $P(f|\partial X) = 0$ where P denotes the spectral projection corresponding to the eigenvalues $\lambda \geq 0$ of A_{ξ} defined below. Then ξ -valued signature operator $D_{\xi}: \Gamma(\wedge^+:P) \to \Gamma(\wedge^-)$ is defined by

$$D_{\mathcal{E}}\phi=(d_{\mathcal{E}}+d_{\mathcal{E}}^{*})\phi=(d_{\mathcal{E}}-*d_{\mathcal{E}}*)\phi$$

for $\phi \in \Gamma(\wedge^+)$, where d_{ξ} denotes the covariant exterior differential operator induced from the connection of ξ .

Definition 2.1. $sign(X,\xi)$ is defined to be the index of D_{ξ} , namely,

$$\operatorname{sign}(X,\xi) = \dim \ker D_{\xi} - \dim \operatorname{coker} D_{\xi}.$$

By an automorphism of a vector bundle we mean a diffeomorphism of the total space such that it descends to a diffeomorphism of the base space and that it maps a fiber to a fiber isomorphically. When an automorphism a acts on $\wedge^*T^*X \otimes \xi$ commuting with D_{ξ} , $\operatorname{sign}(a, X, \xi)$ is defined to be the *a*-index of D_{ξ} , namely,

$$\operatorname{sign}(a, X, \xi) = \operatorname{tr}(a | \operatorname{ker} D_{\xi}) - \operatorname{tr}(a | \operatorname{coker} D_{\xi}).$$

Note that $sign(X, \xi) = sign(1, X, \xi)$.

Let $C = Y \times I$ be a collar neighborhood of the boundary $Y = \partial X$ and $\gamma: C \to Y$ the projection. Let $\tilde{\xi}$ be the restriction of ξ to Y. Then $\tau_+ = 1 + \tau$ induces an isomorphism

$$\tau_+:\gamma^*(\wedge^{\operatorname{even}}T^*Y\otimes\widetilde{\xi})\xrightarrow{\sim}\wedge^+|_C.$$

We define a first order self-adjoint elliptic differential operator

$$A_{\widetilde{\xi}} \colon \Gamma(\wedge^{\operatorname{even}} T^*Y \otimes \widetilde{\xi}) \to \Gamma(\wedge^{\operatorname{even}} T^*Y \otimes \widetilde{\xi})$$

by

(2.2)
$$A_{\widetilde{\xi}}\phi = i^{l}(-1)^{q+1}(*d_{\widetilde{\xi}} - d_{\widetilde{\xi}}*)\phi$$

for $\phi \in \Gamma(\wedge^{2q}T^*Y \otimes \tilde{\xi})$ where $*: \wedge^{q}T^*Y \otimes \tilde{\xi} \to \wedge^{2l-1-q}T^*Y \otimes \tilde{\xi}$ is the Hodge star operator for Y and $d_{\tilde{\xi}}: \Gamma(\wedge^{q}T^*Y \otimes \tilde{\xi}) \to \Gamma(\wedge^{q+1}T^*Y \otimes \tilde{\xi})$ is the covariant exterior differential operator as before.

The following proposition can be shown by the same computations as in [APS], p.63.

Proposition 2.3. On the collar C, the signature operator D_{ξ} is of the form

$$D_{\xi} = \sigma \circ au_+ \circ (rac{\partial}{\partial u} + A_{\xi}) \circ au_+^{-1},$$

where $u \in I$ is the normal coordinate and $\sigma = \sigma(D_{\xi})(du) : \wedge^+|_C \xrightarrow{\sim} \wedge^-|_C$ is the isomorphism defined by the principal symbol of D_{ξ} .

The eta invariants of $A_{\widetilde{F}}$ are defined as follows.

Definition 2.4. Let a be an automorphism of $\wedge^{\text{even}} T^*Y \otimes \tilde{\xi}$, and suppose that a commutes with $A_{\tilde{\xi}}$. Then the equivariant eta function $\eta_{\tilde{\epsilon}}(a,s)$ of $A_{\tilde{\epsilon}}$ is defined by

$$\eta_{\widetilde{\xi}}(a,s) = \sum_{\lambda
eq 0} \operatorname{sign}(\lambda) \operatorname{tr}(a|_{F_{\lambda}}) |\lambda|^{-s},$$

where λ are non-zero eigenvalues of $A_{\widetilde{\xi}}$ and F_{λ} is the λ -eigenspace. $\eta_{\widetilde{\xi}}(a,s)$ is meromorphically continued to the whole *s*-plane and the equivariant eta invariant $\eta_{\widetilde{\xi}}(a)$ is defined by

$$\eta_{\widetilde{\xi}}(a) = \eta_{\widetilde{\xi}}(a,0),$$

see [D], Theorem 1.2. Note that $\eta_{\widetilde{\xi}}(1)$ is the ordinary non-equivariant eta invariant of $A_{\widetilde{\epsilon}}$. Note moreover that

$$\eta_{\widetilde{\xi}_1 \oplus \widetilde{\xi}_2}(a) = \eta_{\widetilde{\xi}_1}(a) + \eta_{\widetilde{\xi}_2}(a),$$

since $A_{\widetilde{\xi}_1 \oplus \widetilde{\xi}_2} = A_{\widetilde{\xi}_1} \oplus A_{\widetilde{\xi}_2}$ with respect to the direct sum connection.

Suppose now that a compact Lie group K acts on X and ξ , preserving the orientation, the metrics and the metric connections of X and ξ , and that an element $a \in K$ acts freely on Y. Let $\Omega \subset X$ be the fixed point set of a $(\Omega \cap Y = \emptyset)$ which is the disjoint union of connected closed submanifolds N. The normal bundle TN^{\perp} of N is decomposed into the Whitney sum of subbundles

$$TN^{\perp} = TN^{\perp}(-1) \oplus TN^{\perp}(\theta_1) \oplus \cdots \oplus TN^{\perp}(\theta_s)$$

where a acts on $TN^{\perp}(-1)$ via multiplication by -1 and on complex vector bundle $TN^{\perp}(\theta_j)$ via multiplication by $e^{i\theta_j}$, $\theta_j \neq \pi$. Further $\xi|_N$ is decomposed into the Whitney sum of subbundles

 $\xi|_N = \xi(\psi_1) \oplus \ldots \oplus \xi(\psi_r),$

where a acts on $\xi(\psi_j)$ via multiplication by $e^{i\psi_j}$, see [D], p.901. On the other hand a induces automorphisms of $\wedge^*T^*X \otimes \xi$ and $\wedge^*T^*Y \otimes \tilde{\xi}$, which commute with $A_{\tilde{\xi}}$.

We shall see that $sign(X, \xi)$ and $sign(a, X, \xi)$ are computed in terms of certain characteristic forms (or classes) and eta invariants. We first define characteristic forms and classes which we need.

Definition 2.5. (a) $ch(\xi)$ is the Chern character form of a complex vector bundle ξ with respect to the connection of ξ . Note that

$$\operatorname{ch}(\xi) = \operatorname{rank}_{\mathbb{C}} \xi + c_1(\xi) + \text{higher terms},$$

where $c_1(\xi)$ is the first Chern form of ξ , and that

$$\mathrm{ch}(\xi_1\oplus\xi_2)=\mathrm{ch}(\xi_1)+\mathrm{ch}(\xi_2),\ \mathrm{ch}(\xi_1\otimes\xi_2)=\mathrm{ch}(\xi_1)\wedge\mathrm{ch}(\xi_2)$$

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with respect to the direct sum and tensor product connections.

(b) The \mathcal{L} -polynomial of the Pontrjagin classes p_1, p_2, \ldots is defined by

$$egin{split} \mathcal{L}(p) &= \prod_j rac{x_j/2}{ anh(x_j/2)} \ &= 1 + rac{1}{12} p_1 + \dots, \end{split}$$

where p_i is the *i*-th symmetric function of the x_j^2 . $\mathcal{L}(X) = \mathcal{L}(p(TX))$ is the \mathcal{L} -form of tangent bundle TX with respect to the metric of X. Note that the evaluation of $\mathcal{L}(N)$ at the fundamental cycle [N] of a closed submanifold N is independent of the metric and that $\mathcal{L}(N) = 1$ if N is a point.

(c) $\operatorname{ch}(\xi|_N, a)$ is an element of $\prod_{a=0}^{\infty} H^{2q}(N; \mathbb{C})$ defined by

$$\operatorname{ch}(\xi|_N,a) = \sum_{j=1}^r e^{i\psi_j} \operatorname{ch}(\xi(\psi_j)),$$

where $ch(\xi(\psi_i))$ is the ordinary Chern character of $\xi(\psi_i)$. Note that

$$\mathrm{ch}(\xi_1\oplus\xi_2|_N,a)=\mathrm{ch}(\xi_1|_N,a)+\mathrm{ch}(\xi_2|_N,a),\ \mathrm{ch}(\xi_1\otimes\xi_2|_N,a)=\mathrm{ch}(\xi_1|_N,a)\ \mathrm{ch}(\xi_2|_N,a).$$

(d) Finally, the \mathcal{M}^{θ} -polynomial of the Chern classes $c_i(TN^{\perp}(\theta))$ is defined by

$$\mathcal{M}^{ heta} = \prod_j rac{ anh(i heta/2)}{ anh((x_j+i heta)/2)},$$

where $c_i(TN^{\perp}(\theta))$ is the *i*-th elementary symmetric function of the x_j . Note that $\mathcal{M}^{\theta}(TN^{\perp}(\theta)) = 1$ if $TN^{\perp}(\theta) = \{0\}$.

Theorem (cf. Theorem 3.10 in [APS] and Theorem 2.5 in [D]). Under the notations $n = \frac{1}{2} \dim_{\mathbb{R}} N$, $d = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{rank}_{\mathbb{R}} TN^{\perp}(-1)$ and $c(\theta_j) = \operatorname{rank}_{\mathbb{C}} TN^{\perp}(\theta_j)$, we have

(2.6)
$$\operatorname{sign}(X,\xi) = 2^l \int_X \operatorname{ch}(\xi) \mathcal{L}(X) - \eta_{\widetilde{\xi}}(1),$$

$$(2.7) \qquad \quad \operatorname{sign}(a,X,\xi) = \sum_{N \subset \Omega} 2^{n-d} \operatorname{ch} \cdot \mathcal{L}(a)[N] - \eta_{\widetilde{\xi}}(a),$$

where $\operatorname{ch} \cdot \mathcal{L}(a) \in \prod_{q=0}^{\infty} H^{2q}(N;\mathbb{C})$ is defined by

$$\mathrm{ch}\cdot\mathcal{L}(a) = \mathrm{ch}(\xi|_N, a) \prod_j (-i\cot(heta_j/2))^{c(heta_j)}\mathcal{L}(N) \ \mathcal{L}(TN^{\perp}(-1))^{-1}e(TN^{\perp}(-1)) \prod_j \mathcal{M}^{ heta_j}(TN^{\perp}(heta_j)),$$

and $e(TN^{\perp}(-1))$ is the Euler class of $TN^{\perp}(-1)$.

Now assume that the compact Lie group K is a finite group and that K acts freely on Y. Since the K-action preserves the orientation, metrics and connections of Y and $\tilde{\xi}$, there exist an orientation and a metric on Y/K, a complex vector bundle $\hat{\xi} = \tilde{\xi}/K$ over Y/K and a connection in $\hat{\xi}$ such that the projection $\pi: Y \to Y/K$ is a Riemannian covering and that $\pi^*\hat{\xi}$ is isomorphic to $\tilde{\xi}$ as a vector bundle with a connection.

Definition 2.8. A first order self-adjoint elliptic differential operator $A_{\widehat{\xi}} : \Gamma(\wedge^{\text{even}}T^*(Y/K) \otimes \widehat{\xi}) \to \Gamma(\wedge^{\text{even}}T^*(Y/K) \otimes \widehat{\xi})$ is defined just as in 2.2 and the eta invariant $\eta_{\widehat{\xi}}(1)$ is also defined as in 2.4. Note that $A_{\widehat{\xi}}$ is locally the same as $A_{\widehat{\xi}}$.

The eigenvalues of $A_{\widehat{\xi}}$ is closely related to those of $A_{\widetilde{\xi}}$ and the next proposition can be proved similarly to (3.6) in [D].

Proposition 2.9. $\eta_{\widehat{\xi}}(1) = \frac{1}{|K|} \sum_{a \in K} \eta_{\widetilde{\xi}}(a).$

In later sections, we consider the signatures and the eta invariants for virtual vector bundles ξ .

Definition 2.10. Let ξ_1 and ξ_2 be complex vector bundles over X which satisfy the conditions in Definitions 2.1, 2.4 and 2.5. For the virtual bundle $\xi = \xi_1 - \xi_2$, we define $\operatorname{sign}(a, X, \xi)$, $\eta_{\xi}(a)$, $\operatorname{ch}(\xi)$ and $\operatorname{ch}(\xi|_N, a)$ by

$$egin{aligned} ext{sign}(a,X,\xi) &= ext{sign}(a,X,\xi_1) - ext{sign}(a,X,\xi_2), \ \eta_{\xi}(a) &= \eta_{\xi_1}(a) - \eta_{\xi_2}(a), \ ext{ch}(\xi) &= ext{ch}(\xi_1) - ext{ch}(\xi_2) & ext{and} \ ext{ch}(\xi|_N,a) &= ext{ch}(\xi_1|_N,a) - ext{ch}(\xi_2|_N,a). \end{aligned}$$

Then, the next proposition is obvious.

Proposition 2.11. The formulae 2.6, 2.7 and Proposition 2.9 hold for the virtual bundles ξ , $\tilde{\xi}$ and $\hat{\xi}$.

§3. $\widehat{\mathcal{F}}$ and eta invariants

Let M be an m-dimensional compact complex manifold, G the group of all biholomorphic automorphisms of M and \mathfrak{g} the complex Lie algebra of all holomorphic vector fields on M. In [FMo] it is shown that the Lie algebra character \mathcal{F} can be expressed in terms of Simons character of a certain foliation.

Theorem ([FMo]). For $\mathcal{Y} \in \mathfrak{g}$, let $\operatorname{Fol}_{\mathcal{Y}}$ be a complex foliation of codimension m on $M \times S^1$ defined by the vector field $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + 2 \operatorname{Re} \mathcal{Y}$ where t is the coordinate of S^1 and $\operatorname{Re} \mathcal{Y}$ denotes the real part of \mathcal{Y} . Then

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{Y}) = -S_{c^{m+1}_{r}}(
u(\mathrm{Fol}_{\mathcal{Y}}))[M imes S^{1}] \mod \mathbb{Z}$$

where $S_{c_1^{m+1}}(\nu(\operatorname{Fol}_{\mathcal{Y}})) \in H^{2m+1}(M \times S^1; \mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z})$ is the Simons character of c_1^{m+1} for the normal bundle $\nu(\operatorname{Fol}_{\mathcal{Y}})$ of $\operatorname{Fol}_{\mathcal{Y}}$ with any basic connection.

Note that our notation of \mathcal{F} differs from f in [FMo] by $i/2\pi$. For $g \in G$, let M_g be the mapping torus $M_g = M \times [0,1]/\sim$ where $(p,0) \sim (g(p),1)$. Let Fol_g be the complex foliation defined by the [0,1]-directed vector field. Then, by definition,

$$\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g) = S_{c_1^{m+1}}(
u(\mathrm{Fol}_g))[M_g]$$

where $S_{c_1^{m+1}}(\nu(\operatorname{Fol}_g))$ is the Simons character for the normal bundle $\nu(\operatorname{Fol}_g)$ with any Bott connection. As is seen in [F2] (see also [FMaS]), $\widehat{\mathcal{F}}: G \to \mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z}$ is a Lie group homomorphism. The above theorem further shows that its infinitesimal Lie algebra homomorphism is equal to \mathcal{F} up to a constant multiple.

Remark 3.1. Let $g = \exp(2 \operatorname{Re} \mathcal{Y})$. Since $(M_g, \operatorname{Fol}_g)$ is isomorphic to $(M \times S^1, \operatorname{Fol}_{-\mathcal{Y}})$, it follows from the above theorem that

$$\mathcal{F}(\exp(2\operatorname{Re}\mathcal{Y})=-\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{Y}) \mod \mathbb{Z}.$$

Remark 3.2. If $g^p = 1$, then $p\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g) = \widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g^p) = \widehat{\mathcal{F}}(1) = 0$. Hence $\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g)$ is of the form q/p for some integer q.

We assume for the rest of this paper that K is a cyclic subgroup of G generated by an element g of order p. Let $X = M \times D^2$ and $Y = \partial X = M \times S^1$, and let $q_M : X \to M$, $q_{D^2} : X \to D^2$ and $q_Y : Y \to M$ be the projections. We consider the following action of K on X:

$$g(z,re^{i heta})=(g(z),re^{i(heta+2\pi/p)})$$

for $(z, re^{i\theta}) \in X = M \times D^2$; $0 \le r \le 1, 0 \le \theta \le 2\pi$. The next lemma is obvious.

Lemma 3.3. The fixed point set $\Omega_X \subset X$ of the $a = g^k$ -action on X for $a \in K$ coincides with the fixed point set $\Omega_M \subset M = M \times \{0\} \subset X$ of the a-action on M.

Since M and D^2 carry the complex structures, we may regard TM, TD^2 and $TX = q_M^*TM \oplus q_{D^2}^*TD^2$ as holomorphic tangent bundles, i.e. the tangent bundles of type (1,0). We first give a rotationally symmetric Hermitian metric on D^2 such that it is a product metric of $S^1 \times [0, \varepsilon)$ near the boundary $\partial D^2 = S^1$. We then give a Hermitian metric on X which is the product of a given K-invariant Hermitian metric on M and the Hermitian metric on D^2 . This metric on X is obviously product near the boundary Y and invariant under the K-action on Xdefined above. Let ∇ be the Hermitian connection of TX, which is uniquely determined under the conditions that the connection form of ∇ is of type (1,0) and that ∇ preserves the Hermitian metric of TX. Note that ∇ is not necessarily torsion free. It is obvious that ∇ is the direct sum connection of the Hermitian connections of TM and TD^2 and that ∇ is K-invariant. Since the K-action is free near the boundary of X, X/K carries a complex structure and a Hermitian metric near the boundary. The connection ∇ , which is K-invariant, descends to the Hermitian connection of T(X/K). By restriction we obtain a connection, which we also denote by ∇ , on $T(X/K)|_{Y/K}$.

Note that Y/K is diffeomorphic to the mapping torus M_g and that $T(X/K)|_{M_g}$ is orthogonally decomposed into $T(X/K)|_{M_g} = \nu(\operatorname{Fol}_g) \oplus \mathcal{E}$ where \mathcal{E} denotes the trivial complex line bundle consisting of all Fol_g -directed vectors. Under this decomposition ∇ splits as

$$\nabla = \nabla|_{\nu(\operatorname{Fol}_a)} \oplus \nabla^0$$

where ∇^0 is the globally flat connection of \mathcal{E} . Note that $\nabla|_{\nu(\text{Fol}_g)}$ is a basic connection for the foliation Fol_g . From this decomposition and 4.18 in [S] we obtain:

Proposition 3.4.
$$S_{c_i^{m+1}}(\nu(\operatorname{Fol}_g)) = S_{c_i^{m+1}}(T(X/K)|_{M_g}, \nabla).$$

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Definition 3.5. Let ξ be a virtual K-vector bundle over X defined by

$$\xi = \bigotimes^{m+1}(q_M^*TM - \mathcal{E}^m),$$

where \mathcal{E}^m denotes a trivial K-vector bundle over X. Namely,

$$\xi = \bigoplus_{k:\text{even}} \binom{m+1}{k} mk \ q_M^* (\bigotimes^{m+1-k} TM) \\ - \bigoplus_{k:\text{odd}} \binom{m+1}{k} mk \ q_M^* (\bigotimes^{m+1-k} TM).$$

Let $\tilde{\xi}$ be a virtual K-vector bundle over Y defined by $\tilde{\xi} = \xi|_Y = \bigotimes^{m+1}(q_Y^*TM - \mathcal{E}^m)$, and $\hat{\xi}$ a virtual complex vector bundle over $M_g = Y/K$ defined by

$$\widehat{\xi} = \widetilde{\xi}/K = \bigotimes^{m+1} (\nu(\operatorname{Fol}_g) - \mathcal{E}^m).$$

We endow connections of ξ , $\tilde{\xi}$ and $\hat{\xi}$ which are induced from the Hermitian connection of $T\dot{M}$ and $\nabla|_{\nu(\text{Fol}_{g})}$.

Definition 3.6. Let $\eta_{\widehat{\xi}}(1)$ be the eta invariant defined as in Definitions 2.8 and 2.10 for the virtual bundle $\widehat{\xi}$ over M_a .

Our first main result is:

Theorem 3.7.
$$2^{m+1}\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g) = \eta_{\widehat{c}}(1) \mod \mathbb{Z}.$$

Proof. Since M_g is a stably almost complex manifold there exists a compact (2m+2)-dimensional almost complex manifold W such that $\partial W = M_g$, see [Mo]. Let ξ^W be a virtual bundle over W defined by

$$\xi^W = \bigotimes^{m+1} (TW - \mathcal{E}^{m+1}).$$

We may assume that W is isomorphic to X/K near the boundary M_g as an almost complex manifold together with a Hermitian metric; hence the metric is product near M_g . Let ∇^W be the Hermitian connection of TW which coincides with ∇ of T(X/K) near M_g . Let c(TW), ch(TW)and $ch(\xi^W)$ be the Chern and the Chern character forms with respect

to ∇^W . Since sign (W, ξ^W) is an integer, we then obtain from 2.6 and 2.11

$$\eta_{\overline{\xi}}(1) = 2^{m+1} \int_W \operatorname{ch}(\xi^W) \mathcal{L}(W) \mod \mathbb{Z},$$

where $\overline{\xi} = \xi^W|_{M_g}$. From the properties of the Chern character forms we have

$$ch(\xi^W) = \{ch(TW) - ch(\mathcal{E}^{m+1})\}^{m+1}$$
$$= \{c_1(TW)\}^{m+1} + higher terms.$$

Since the leading term of \mathcal{L} is equal to 1,

$$\int_W \operatorname{ch}(\xi^W) \mathcal{L}(W) = \int_W \{c_1(TW)\}^{m+1}.$$

Hence it follows from this, the definition of $\widehat{\mathcal{F}}$, Propositions 3.4 and 5.15 in [S] that

$$\begin{split} \widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g) &= S_{c_1^{m+1}}(\nu(\operatorname{Fol}_g))[M_g] \\ &= S_{c_1^{m+1}}(T(X/K)|_{M_g}, \nabla)[M_g] \\ &= S_{c_1^{m+1}}(TW, \nabla^W)[\partial W] \\ &= \int_W \operatorname{ch}(\xi^W)\mathcal{L}(W) \quad \mod \mathbb{Z}. \end{split}$$

On the other hand, since $TW|_{M_g} = \nu(\operatorname{Fol}_g) \oplus \mathcal{E}^1$ we have

$$\overline{\xi} = \xi^W|_{M_g}$$
$$= \bigotimes^{m+1} (\nu(\operatorname{Fol}_g) \oplus \mathcal{E}^1 - \mathcal{E}^{m+1}) = \overline{\xi_1} - \overline{\xi_2},$$

where

$$\overline{\xi_1} = \bigoplus_{k:\text{even}} \binom{m+1}{k} (m+1)k \bigotimes^{m+1-k} (\nu(\operatorname{Fol}_g) \oplus \mathcal{E}^1),$$
$$\overline{\xi_2} = \bigoplus_{k:\text{odd}} \binom{m+1}{k} (m+1)k \bigotimes^{m+1-k} (\nu(\operatorname{Fol}_g) \oplus \mathcal{E}^1).$$

Since there exists a complex vector bundle ξ_3 over M_g such that $\overline{\xi_1} = \widehat{\xi_1} \oplus \xi_3$ and $\overline{\xi_2} = \widehat{\xi_2} \oplus \xi_3$ where

$$\widehat{\xi}_1 - \widehat{\xi}_2 = \widehat{\xi} = \bigotimes^{m+1} (\nu(\operatorname{Fol}_g) - \mathcal{E}^m),$$

it follows from the property of eta invariants (see 2.4) that

$$\begin{split} \eta_{\overline{\xi}}(1) &= \eta_{\overline{\xi}_{1}}(1) - \eta_{\overline{\xi}_{2}}(1) \\ &= \eta_{\widehat{\xi}_{1}}(1) + \eta_{\xi_{3}}(1) - \eta_{\widehat{\xi}_{2}}(1) - \eta_{\xi_{3}}(1) \\ &= \eta_{\widehat{\xi}_{1}}(1) - \eta_{\widehat{\xi}_{2}}(1) = \eta_{\widehat{\xi}}(1). \end{split}$$

This completes the proof.

Corollary 3.8. If p is odd, then $\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g)$ vanishes if and only if $\eta_{\widehat{\xi}}(1)$ is an integer.

Proof. In view of Remark 3.2 it is clear that $\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g) = 0$ if and only if $2^{m+1}\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g) = 0$. This completes the proof.

Now, for $1 \leq k \leq p-1$, we apply 2.7 to the case where $a = g^k$, $X = M \times D^2$ and $\xi = \bigotimes^{m+1}(q_M^*TM - \mathcal{E}^m)$. Let $\Omega(k)$ be the fixed point set of the g^k -action on X. Note that $\Omega(k)$ coincides with the fixed point set of the g^k -action on M (cf. Lemma 3.3) and is the disjoint union of connected closed complex submanifolds N of M. Let TN^{\perp} be the normal bundle of N in M, and

$$TN^{\perp} = TN^{\perp}(-1) \oplus TN^{\perp}(\theta_1) \oplus \cdots \oplus TN^{\perp}(\theta_s)$$

the decomposition into the Whitney sum of complex subbundles where g^k acts on $TN^{\perp}(-1)$ via multiplication by -1 and on $TN^{\perp}(\theta_j)$ via multiplication by $e^{i\theta_j}$, $\theta_j \neq \pi$. The normal bundle of N in X is the Whitney sum of TN^{\perp} and a trivial complex line bundle \mathcal{E} where g^k acts on \mathcal{E} via multiplication by $e^{2\pi ki/p}$. Hence it follows from 2.7 that

(3.9)
$$\eta_{\widetilde{\xi}}(g^k) = 2^{n-d} \sum_{N \subset \Omega(k)} \operatorname{ch} \cdot \mathcal{L}(g^k)[N] - \operatorname{sign}(g^k, X, \xi),$$

where ch $\mathcal{L}(g^k) \in \prod_{q=0}^{\infty} H^{2q}(N;\mathbb{C})$ is defined as in 2.7 for the normal

bundle $TN^{\perp} \oplus \mathcal{E}$ of N in X, namely,

$$\mathrm{ch}\cdot\mathcal{L}(g^k) = \mathrm{ch}(\xi|_N, g^k)(-i\cotrac{\pi k}{p})\prod_j(-i\cotrac{ heta_j}{2})^{c(heta_j)} \mathcal{L}(N)\mathcal{L}(TN^{\perp}(-1))^{-1}e(TN^{\perp}(-1))\prod_j\mathcal{M}^{ heta_j}(TN^{\perp}(heta_j)),$$

where $\xi|_N = \bigotimes^{m+1} (TM|_N - \mathcal{E}^m)$. Our second theorem is

Theorem 3.10. With the notations as above we have

$$2^{m+1}\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g) = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} 2^{n-d} \sum_{N \subset \Omega(k)} \operatorname{ch} \cdot \mathcal{L}(g^k)[N] \mod \mathbb{Z}.$$

Proof. By 2.6, 3.9, Proposition 2.9 and Theorem 3.7 we have

$$2^{m+1}\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g) = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{k=1}^{p} \eta_{\widehat{\xi}}(g^k) \mod \mathbb{Z}$$
$$= \frac{1}{p} [\sum_{k=1}^{p-1} 2^{n-d} \sum_{N \subset \Omega(k)} \operatorname{ch} \cdot \mathcal{L}(g^k)[N] + \int_X \operatorname{ch}(\xi) \mathcal{L}(X)$$
$$- \sum_{k=1}^{p} \operatorname{sign}(g^k, X, \xi)] \mod \mathbb{Z}.$$

So the theorem follows from Lemma 3.11 and Lemma 3.12 below.

Lemma 3.11. $\int_X \operatorname{ch}(\xi) \mathcal{L}(X) = 0.$

Proof. Since the connection in ξ is induced from the connection in TM, it follows from the property of Chern character form that

$$ch(\xi) = ch(\bigotimes^{m+1}(q_M^*TM - \mathcal{E}^m))$$

= $(q_M^* ch(TM) - m)^{m+1}$
= $(q_M^* c_1(TM) + higher terms)^{m+1}$
= $q_M^* c_1(TM)^{m+1}$.

Since dim M = m, $c_1(TM)^{m+1}$ vanishes identically. This completes the proof.

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Lemma 3.12. $\sum_{k=1}^{p} \operatorname{sign}(g^k, X, \xi) = 0 \mod p.$

Proof. From the definition of $sign(g^k, X, \xi)$ (cf. 2.1 and 2.10), it suffices to show the following simple lemma.

Lemma 3.13. For any finite dimensional $K(=\mathbb{Z}_p)$ -module V,

$$\sum_{k=1}^p \operatorname{tr}(g^k|_V) = 0 \mod p.$$

Proof. Apply the next (3.14) to the eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_{\dim V}$ of $g|_V$.

(3.14) If
$$\lambda^p = 1$$
, then $\sum_{k=1}^p \lambda^k = 0 \mod p$.

This completes the proof.

When p is odd and $\Omega(k)$ is independent of k, we have a slightly simpler formula. Note that this situation occurs if p is an odd prime integer. Suppose that the fixed point set $\Omega := \Omega(k) \subset M$ is a disjoint sum of connected closed complex submanifolds N. Let $\bigoplus_j TN_j^{\perp}$ be the decomposition of the normal bundle of N in M where g acts on the complex vector bundle TN_j^{\perp} via multiplication by $e^{i\tau_j}$. We define σ_k by

$$egin{aligned} \sigma_k &= \sum_{N \subset \Omega} 2^n (-i \cot rac{\pi k}{p}) \prod_j (-i \cot rac{k au_j}{2})^{c_j} \ (\operatorname{ch}(TN) + \sum_j e^{k au_j} \operatorname{ch}(TN_j^\perp) - m)^{m+1} \mathcal{L}(N) \prod_j \mathcal{M}^{k au_j}(TN_j^\perp)[N], \end{aligned}$$

where $n = \dim_{\mathbb{C}} N$ and $c_j = \operatorname{rank}_{\mathbb{C}} TN_j^{\perp}$.

Corollary 3.15. Assume that p is odd and $\Omega = \Omega(k)$ is independent of k. Then,

$$2^{m+1}\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g) = \frac{1}{p}\sum_{k=1}^{p-1}\sigma_k \mod \mathbb{Z}.$$

In particular, $\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g)$ vanishes if and only if $\sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \sigma_k$ is a multiple of p.

Proof. The corollary follows from Theorem 3.10, Corollary 3.8 and the following facts:

(i) since p is odd, $TN^{\perp}(-1) = \{0\};$

(ii) $\xi|_N = \bigotimes^{m+1} (TM|_N - \mathcal{E}^m) = \bigotimes^{m+1} (TN \oplus (\bigoplus_j TN_j^{\perp}) - \mathcal{E}^m)$ and hence, by the property of $ch(\xi|_N, g^k)$ we have

$$\operatorname{ch}(\xi|_N,g^k) = (\operatorname{ch}(TN) + \sum_j e^{ik au_j} \operatorname{ch}(TN_j^{\perp}) - m)^{m+1}.$$

This completes the proof.

§4. Examples

Let $[z_0 : z_1 : z_2]$ be the homogeneous coordinates on the complex projective plane \mathbb{P}^2 , and M the surface obtained by blowing up \mathbb{P}^2 at one point, say [1:0:0]. Note that $c_1(M) > 0$. The Lie algebra of all holomorphic vector fields on M is not reductive, and by Matsushima's theorem M does not admit an Einstein-Kähler metric. The last statement also follows from $\mathcal{F} \neq 0$. To see this we consider the C*-action $[z_0 : z_1 : z_2] \rightarrow [z_0 : c \ z_1 : c \ z_2], \ c \neq 0$, on \mathbb{P}^2 . This action lifts to a C*-action on M. Let $w_1 = z_1/z_0, \ w_2 = z_2/z_0$ be the inhomogeneous coordinates on \mathbb{P}^2 , and $\mathcal{X} = 2\pi i (w_1 \partial/\partial w_1 + w_2 \partial/\partial w_2)$ be the holomorphic vector field which generates the C*-action. Then \mathcal{X} also lifts a holomorphic vector field on M, which we denote by \mathcal{Y} . The zero set of \mathcal{Y} consists of the line $C = p^{-1}(\{[0:z_1:z_2]\})$ and the exceptional curve $E = p^{-1}([1:0:0])$ where $p: M \to \mathbb{P}^2$ denotes the projection. One can then apply the localization formula for \mathcal{F} , cf. Theorem 2.6 in [FMaS], to obtain

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{Y}) = rac{(1+3a)^3}{(1+a)} [C] + rac{(-1+b)^3}{(-1-b)} [E] = 4,$$

where a and b denote the positive generators of $H^2(C;\mathbb{Z})$ and $H^2(E;\mathbb{Z})$ respectively. Consider now a \mathbb{Z}_p -action generated by an element g defined by $g([z_0:z_1:z_2]) = [z_0:e^{2\pi i/p}z_1:e^{2\pi i/p}z_2]$ with p odd prime. One sees that $g = \exp(-\mathcal{Y}/p)$, and hence by Remark 3.1

$$\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g) = rac{4}{p} \mod \mathbb{Z}.$$

We can alternatively derive this using Corollary 3.15. Modulo terms

of degree higher than 2 we have

$$egin{aligned} & \ch(TC) = 1 + 2a, & \ch(TE) = 1 + 2b, \ & \ch(TC^{\perp}) = 1 + a, & \ch(TE^{\perp}) = 1 - b, \ & \mathcal{M}^{-2\pi k/p}(TC^{\perp}) = 1 + i \operatorname{cosec}(rac{-2\pi k}{p})a, \ & \mathcal{M}^{2\pi k/p}(TE^{\perp}) = 1 - i \operatorname{cosec}(rac{2\pi k}{p})b. \end{aligned}$$

Using these we can deduce by straightforward computations

$$\sigma_k = 22e^{2\pi ki/p} + 4e^{4\pi ki/p} - 6e^{6\pi ki/p} - 26e^{-2\pi ki/p} - 20e^{-4\pi ki/p} - 6e^{-6\pi ki/p}.$$

Since $\sum_{k=1}^{p-1} e^{2\pi l k i/p} \equiv -1 \mod p$ for any integer l, it follows that

$$8\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g)=rac{32}{p} \mod \mathbb{Z}.$$

Further, since (p, 8) = 1, we obtain again

$$\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g)=rac{4}{p} \mod \mathbb{Z}.$$

We now take p to be 3, and consider the \mathbb{Z}_3 -action given by

$$g([z_0:z_1:z_2]) = [z_0:\omega z_1:\omega z_2],$$

where $\omega = e^{2\pi i/3}$. Let $q_1 = [1:1:0]$, $q_2 = [1:0:1]$ and $q_3 = [1:1:1]$. We further blow up M at $q_1, g(q_1), g^2(q_1), q_2, g(q_2), g^2(q_2), q_3, g(q_3)$ and $g^2(q_3)$. Since we blew up \mathbb{P}^2 at 10 points, the resulting manifold, which we denote by \widehat{M} , does not have positive first Chern class. Obviously the action of \mathbb{Z}_3 on M lifts to the one on \widehat{M} .

Proposition 4.1. There is no non-zero holomorphic vector field on \widehat{M} , and

$$\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g)=4/3 \hspace{0.5cm} ext{mod} \hspace{0.5cm} \mathbb{Z}.$$

Proof. Let a be an element in the identity component of the group of all automorphisms of \widehat{M} . Since the self-intersection of each exceptional curve is -1, a leaves each exceptional curve invariant and descends to an automorphism of \mathbb{P}^2 which leaves the 10 points fixed. But

such an automorphism on \mathbb{P}^2 must be an identity, and thus a = 1. This proves the first assertion. To prove the second assertion, note that the fixed point set of the g-action on \widehat{M} is equal to the one on M. So the computation of $\widehat{\mathcal{F}}$ for \widehat{M} using Corollary 3.15 reduces to quite the same computation as in the case of M. This completes the proof.

We now examine a few cases where $c_1(M) > 0$. The following lemma is useful.

Lemma 4.2. In the situation of Definition 3.6, let g be an automorphism of M of order 2. Then $\eta_{\widehat{\xi}}(1) = 0$. In particular, if H is a subgroup of the group of automorphisms generated by elements of order 2, then $2^{m+1}\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(h) = 0$ for all $h \in H$.

Proof. Consider a symmetry $\phi: M \times I \to M \times I$ defined by $\phi(z,t) = (z, 1-t)$. Then ϕ descends to M_q since

$$\phi(z,0)=(z,1) ext{ and } \ \phi(g(z),1)=(g(z),0)\sim (g^2(z),1)=(z,1).$$

Since ϕ is an orientation reversing isometry and hence anti-commutes with $A_{\widehat{\xi}}$, the eigenvalues of $A_{\widehat{\xi}}$ are symmetric with respect to 0 and therefore the eta function $\eta_{\widehat{\xi}}$ is identically zero by the definition (see Definition 2.4). This completes the proof.

This lemma may not imply that $\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g) = 0$ for an element of order 2 because of the factor 2^{m+1} in Theorem 3.7, but at least in the surface case this is true, see [FMa].

A compact complex surface with $c_1(M) > 0$ and with no non-zero holomorphic vector field is obtained by blowing up \mathbb{P}^2 at k-points, $4 \le k \le 8$, in general position. When these points are in sufficiently general position it is known that the group of all automorphisms is generated by elements of order 2 ([K]).

Let us consider the Fermat hypersurface M of degree m in \mathbb{P}^m . It is known by Siu [Si] and Tian [T] that there exists a Kähler-Einstein metric on M. By Lemma 4.2 the eta invariants vanishes modulo \mathbb{Z} on the subgroup S_{m+1} consisting of the elements corresponding to the permutations of the m+1 coordinates. Consider now a $(\mathbb{Z}_m)^{m+1}$ -action generated by

$$g_{j}([z_{0}:z_{1}:\cdots:z_{m}])=[z_{0}:z_{1}:\cdots:\tau z_{j}:\cdots:z_{m}], \quad j=0,...,m,$$

where $\tau = e^{2\pi i/m}$. Since $g_j^m = 1$, $\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g_j)$ must be of the form $\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g_j) = q/m$ with an integer q, and by symmetry we also have $\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g_i) = \widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g_j)$. Hence

$$\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g_0)=\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g_1^{-1}\ldots g_m^{-1})=-m\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g_0)=-q\equiv 0 \mod \mathbb{Z}.$$

Using Corollary 3.15, one can check the vanishing of $\widehat{\mathcal{F}}(g)$ for the following examples which appear in the tables of classification of Fano threefolds in [MM]:

1) the blow-up of P^3 with center the intersection of two cubics,

$$egin{aligned} &z_0^3+z_1^3+z_2^3+z_3^3=0,\ &a_0z_0^3+a_1z_1^3+a_2z_2^3+a_3z_3^3=0, \end{aligned}$$

where $a_i \neq a_j$ for $i \neq j$, with the action

$$g([z_0:z_1:z_2:z_3]) = [\omega z_0:z_1:z_2:z_3];$$

2) the blow-up of \mathbb{P}^3 with center a twisted cubic,

$$\{[u^3:u^2v:uv^2:v^3] \mid [u:v] \in \mathbb{P}^1\},$$

with the action

$$g([z_0:z_1:z_2:z_3]) = [z_0:\omega z_1:\omega^2 z_2:z_3];$$

3) the blowing up of \mathbb{P}^3 with center the disjoint union of a line, $\{z_1 = z_2 = 0\}$, and the twisted cubic with the action defined as in 2);

4) V_7 being the blow-up of \mathbb{P}^3 at a point, [1:0:0:0], the blow-up of V_7 with center the strict transform of a twisted cubic passing through the center of the blowing up $V_7 \to \mathbb{P}^3$, with the action defined as in 2);

5) the blow-up of a cubic threefold

$$z_0^3 + z_1^3 + z_2^3 + z_3^3 + z_4^3 = 0$$

in \mathbb{P}^4 with center a cubic curve,

$$z_0=0, \qquad z_1^3+z_2^3+z_3^3+z_4^3=0,$$

with the action

$$g([z_0:z_1:z_2:z_3:z_4]) = [z_0:\omega z_1:z_2:z_3:z_4];$$

6) V_2 , i.e. the smooth hypersurface,

$$z_0^6 + \cdots + z_3^6 + z_4^2 = 0,$$

of degree 6 in the weighted projective space $\mathbb{P}(z_0, \ldots, z_4)$, where deg $z_i = 1$ for $0 \le i \le 3$, and deg $z_4 = 3$, with the action

$$g([z_0:\cdots:z_4])=[\omega z_0:z_1:\cdots:z_4].$$

These are not at all exhaustive in the tables of [MM], but we selected them among those which do not have non-zero holomorphic vector field and have an automorphism of odd order such that no subgroup generated by elements of order 2 contains it.

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