

146. On Algebraic Threefolds of Parabolic Type

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§ 1. In the present note all algebraic varieties are assumed to be complete, irreducible and defined over the complex number field \mathbb{C} . A non-singular algebraic variety is called an algebraic manifold.

Let V be an algebraic manifold and we let K_V (resp. Ω_V^p) denote the canonical bundle (resp. the sheaf of germs of holomorphic p -forms) of V . Put

$$\begin{aligned} P_m(V) &= \dim_{\mathbb{C}} H^0(V, \mathcal{O}(mK_V)), & m &= 1, 2, 3, \dots, \\ h^{p,0}(V) &= \dim_{\mathbb{C}} H^0(V, \Omega_V^p), & p &= 1, 2, 3, \dots, \dim V. \end{aligned}$$

It is well-known that these are birational invariants. Further we put

$$\begin{aligned} p_g(V) &= P_1(V), \\ q(V) &= h^{1,0}(V). \end{aligned}$$

$p_g(V)$ (resp. $q(V)$) is called the geometric genus (resp. the irregularity) of V . For a singular algebraic variety V we define

$$\begin{aligned} p_g(V) &= p_g(V^*), \\ q(V) &= q(V^*), \end{aligned}$$

where V^* is a non-singular model of V .

If $P_m(V)$ is positive for a natural number m , we define a rational mapping (the m -th canonical mapping)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Phi_{mK} : V & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{P}^N \\ \omega & & \omega \\ z & \longmapsto & (\varphi_0(z) : \varphi_1(z) : \dots : \varphi_N(z)) \end{array}$$

where $\{\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_N\}$ is a basis of $H^0(V, \mathcal{O}(mK_V))$. We set $N(V) = \{m > 0 \mid P_m(V) > 0\}$. The Kodaira dimension $\kappa(V)$ of an algebraic manifold V is defined by

$$\kappa(V) = \begin{cases} \max_{m \in N(V)} \dim \Phi_{mK}(V) & \text{if } N(V) \neq \emptyset, \\ -\infty & \text{if } N(V) = \emptyset. \end{cases}$$

The Kodaira dimension $\kappa(V)$ is a birational invariant. Therefore, for a singular algebraic variety V we define

$$\kappa(V) = \kappa(V^*),$$

where V^* is a non-singular model of V .

An algebraic manifold V is called *parabolic type* if $\kappa(V) = 0$. This is equivalent to saying that $P_m(V) \leq 1$ for every positive integer m and there exists a positive integer n such that $P_n(V) = 1$.

In the present note we shall give an outline of a proof of the following theorem. The details will be published elsewhere.

Theorem. *Let V be a three-dimensional algebraic manifold V of parabolic type. That is, $P_m(V) \leq 1$ for every positive integer m and $P_n(V) = 1$ for some n . Then we have the following.*

1) *The Albanese mapping $\alpha: V \rightarrow A(V)$ is surjective, where $A(V)$ is the Albanese variety of V . Hence, a fortiori, $q(V) \leq 3$. Moreover, if $p_g(V) = 1$, then $q(V) \neq 2$.*

2) *$q(V) = 3$ if and only if V is birationally equivalent to an abelian variety of dimension three.*

3) *If $q(V) = 1$, a general fibre of the Albanese mapping α is an abelian surface or a K3 surface. In the former case, there exists a finite unramified covering \tilde{V} of V which is birationally equivalent to the product of an abelian surface and an elliptic curve.*

This is an affirmative answer to Problems 2, 10 and 11 concerning algebraic manifolds of parabolic type raised by Iitake [1] under the assumption that the dimension is three. (See also Conjectures Q_3, A_3, B_3 in Ueno [2] p. 129–131.)

The following corollary is an immediate consequence of the theorem.

Corollary. *An algebraic threefold V is birationally equivalent to an abelian variety of dimension three, if and only if*

$$P_m(V) \leq 1, \quad m=1, 2, 3, \dots, P_n(V) = 1 \quad \text{for some } n > 0 \\ q(V) = 3.$$

§ 2. To prove the theorem we need several lemmas.

Lemma 1. *Let $\varphi: V \rightarrow C$ be a surjective morphism of an n -dimensional algebraic manifold V to a non-singular curve C of genus $g \geq 2$ with connected fibres. Suppose $\chi(V) \geq 0$. Then we have*

$$\kappa(V) \geq 1.$$

Moreover if V is of dimension three, we have

$$\kappa(V) \geq \kappa(V_x) + 1$$

where V_x is a general fibre of φ .

Lemma 2. *Let $\varphi: V \rightarrow A$ be a surjective morphism of a three-dimensional algebraic manifold V onto a two-dimensional abelian variety A . Suppose that a general fibre of φ is a non-singular elliptic curve. Then $\kappa(V) \geq 0$. Moreover, $\kappa(V) = 0$, if and only if $\varphi: V \rightarrow A$ is birationally equivalent to a fibre bundle over A in the sense of étale topology whose fibre is an elliptic curve.*

Lemma 3. *Let $\varphi: V \rightarrow E$ be a surjective morphism of a three-dimensional algebraic manifold V onto a non-singular elliptic curve E . Suppose that a general fibre of φ is an abelian variety of dimension two. Then $\kappa(V) \geq 0$. Moreover, $\kappa(V) = 0$, if and only if $\varphi: V \rightarrow E$ is*

birationally equivalent to a fibre bundle over E in the sense of étale topology whose fibre is an abelian variety of dimension two.

Lemma 4. *Let V be an n -dimensional algebraic manifold with*

$$\begin{aligned} p_g(V) &= 1, \\ q(V) &= n. \end{aligned}$$

Suppose that the Albanese mapping $\alpha: V \rightarrow A(V)$ is surjective. Then α induces isomorphisms

$$\alpha^*: H^0(A(V), \Omega_A^k) \xrightarrow{\sim} H^0(V, \Omega_V^k), \quad k=1, 2, \dots, n.$$

§ 3. Using Lemma 1, the main theorem of Viehweg [3] and Corollary 10.6 in Ueno [2], we can show that the Albanese mapping $\alpha: V \rightarrow A(V)$ is surjective if $\chi(V)=0$. By virtue of Lemma 2, it is not difficult to show that if $p_g(V)=1$, then $q(V) \neq 2$.

Next we consider the second part of the theorem. We let $\sum n_i S_i$ be the effective canonical divisor. Set $S = \bigcup S_i$. It is enough to show that $\alpha(S)$ is not of codimension one. Moreover, if the Albanese variety $A(V)$ is not simple (that is, $A(V)$ contains an elliptic curve), we can prove the theorem. Therefore, we can assume that $\alpha(S_i)$ is of codimension one and $A(V)$ is simple. Further we can assume that $S=S_1$ is non-singular. Then, by Corollary 10.10 in Ueno [2], $\alpha(S)$ is a surface of general type, hence a fortiori, so is S . Thus we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} p_g(S) - q(S) + 1 &> 0 \\ q(S) &\geq q(\alpha(S)) \geq 3. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, by Lemma 4, we have

$$p_g(S) \leq h^{2,0}(V) = 3.$$

Hence $\chi(S, \mathcal{O}_S) = p_g(S) - q(S) + 1 = 1$. Considering a suitable finite unramified covering \tilde{V} of V (\tilde{V} also satisfies the assumption of the second part of the theorem), we show that the equality $\chi(S, \mathcal{O}_S) = 1$ implies a contradiction. This proves the second part.

Finally Lemma 3 implies the third part of the theorem.

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