

## 7. Simple Vector Bundles over Symplectic Kähler Manifolds

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1. Introduction. In a recent paper [5], Mukai has shown that the moduli space of simple sheaves on an abelian or K3 surface is smooth and has a holomorphic symplectic structure. We extend his result to higher dimensional manifolds by a differential geometric method.

A holomorphic symplectic structure on a complex manifold is given by a closed holomorphic 2-form  $\omega$  which is non-degenerate in the sense that if  $\omega(u, v) = 0$  for all tangent vectors  $v$ , then  $u = 0$ .

Let  $M$  be a compact Kähler manifold of dimension  $n$  and  $E$  a  $C^\infty$  complex vector bundle of rank  $r$  over  $M$ . Let  $A^{p,q}(E)$  be the space of  $C^\infty$   $(p, q)$ -forms over  $M$  with values in  $E$ . A semi-connection in  $E$  is a linear map  $D'' : A^{0,0}(E) \rightarrow A^{0,1}(E)$  such that

$$(1.1) \quad D''(as) = d''a \cdot s + aD''s$$

for all functions  $a$  on  $M$  and all sections  $s$  of  $E$ . Let  $\mathcal{D}''(E)$  denote the space of semi-connections in  $E$ . Every semi-connection  $D''$  extends uniquely to a linear map  $D'' : A^{p,q}(E) \rightarrow A^{p,q+1}(E)$  such that

$$(1.2) \quad D''(\alpha \wedge \sigma) = d''\alpha \wedge \sigma + (-1)^r \alpha \wedge D''\sigma$$

for all  $r$ -forms  $\alpha$  on  $M$  and all  $\sigma \in A^{p,q}(E)$ . In particular,

$$(1.3) \quad N(D'') := D'' \circ D'' : A^{0,0}(E) \rightarrow A^{0,2}(E),$$

and  $N(D'')$  may be considered as an element of  $A^{0,2}(\text{End}(E))$ . A semi-connection  $D''$  is called a holomorphic structure if  $N(D'') = 0$ . Let  $\mathcal{H}''(E)$  denote the set of holomorphic structures in  $E$ . If  $E$  is holomorphic, then  $d'' \in \mathcal{H}''(E)$ . Conversely, every  $D'' \in \mathcal{H}''(E)$  comes from a unique holomorphic structure in  $E$ . The holomorphic vector bundle defined by  $D''$  is denoted by  $E^{D''}$ . We call  $E^{D''}$  simple if its endomorphisms are all of the form  $cI_E$ , where  $c \in \mathbb{C}$ . Let

$$(1.4) \quad \text{End}^0(E^{D''}) = \{u \in \text{End}(E^{D''}); \text{Tr}(u) = 0\}.$$

Then  $E^{D''}$  is simple if and only if  $H^0(M, \text{End}^0(E^{D''})) = 0$ . Let  $\mathcal{S}''(E)$  denote the set of simple holomorphic structures  $D''$  in  $E$ .

Let  $GL(E)$  be the group of  $C^\infty$  automorphisms of the bundle  $E$ . Its Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{gl}(E)$  is nothing but  $A^{0,0}(\text{End}(E))$ . The group  $GL(E)$  acts on  $\mathcal{D}''(E)$  by

$$(1.5) \quad D''^f = f^{-1} \circ D'' \circ f \quad \text{for } f \in GL(E), D'' \in \mathcal{D}''(E).$$

Then  $GL(E)$  leaves  $\mathcal{H}''(E)$  and  $\mathcal{S}''(E)$  invariant. With the  $C^\infty$  topology, the moduli space  $\mathcal{S}''(E)/GL(E)$  of simple holomorphic structures in  $E$  is a (possibly non-Hausdorff) complex analytic space. As was shown by Kim

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[3], it is a non-singular complex manifold in a neighborhood of  $[D''] \in S''(E)/GL(E)$  if  $H^2(M, \text{End}^0(E^{D''}))=0$ . This is analogous to Kodaira-Spencer-Kuranishi theory of complex structures.

We are now in a position to state our result.

(1.6). **Theorem.** *Let  $M$  be a compact Kähler manifold with a holomorphic symplectic structure  $\omega_M$ . Let  $E$  be a  $C^\infty$  complex vector bundle over  $M$  and let  $S''(E)/GL(E)$  be the moduli space of simple holomorphic vector bundles in  $E$ . Let*

$$\mathcal{M}(E) = \{[D''] \in S''(E)/GL(E); H^2(M, \text{End}^0(E^{D''}))=0\}$$

so that  $\mathcal{M}(E)$  is a non-singular (possibly non-Hausdorff) complex manifold. Then  $\omega_M$  induces in a natural way a holomorphic symplectic structure on  $\mathcal{M}(E)$ .

If  $\dim M=2$ , then  $H^2(M, \text{End}(E^{D''}))$  is dual to  $H^0(M, \text{End}(E^{D''}))$  and hence  $\mathcal{M}(E)=S''(E)/GL(E)$ .

**2. Outline of the proof.** The construction of a holomorphic symplectic structure on  $\mathcal{M}(E)$  is based on the reduction theorem of Marsden-Weinstein [4]. While their theorem is proved in the differentiable case, we need its holomorphic analogue. So we recall it in the form adapted to our purpose. Let  $V$  be a complex Banach manifold with a holomorphic symplectic structure  $\omega_V$ . Let  $G$  be a Banach complex Lie group acting holomorphically on  $V$ , leaving  $\omega_V$  invariant. Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be the Banach Lie algebra of  $G$  and  $\mathfrak{g}^*$  its dual vector space. A *moment* for the action of  $G$  is a holomorphic map  $\psi: V \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}^*$  such that

$$(2.1) \quad \langle a, d\psi_x(v) \rangle = \omega_V(a_x, v) \quad \text{for } a \in \mathfrak{g}, v \in T_x V, x \in V,$$

where  $d\psi_x: T_x V \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}^*$  is the differential of  $\psi$  at  $x$ ,  $a_x \in T_x V$  is the vector defined by the infinitesimal action of  $a \in \mathfrak{g}$ , and  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is the dual pairing between  $\mathfrak{g}$  and  $\mathfrak{g}^*$ .

(a) Assume that  $\psi$  is equivariant with respect to the coadjoint action of  $G$ , i.e.,

$$(2.2) \quad \psi(g(x)) = (\text{Ad } g)^*(\psi(x)) \quad \text{for } g \in G, x \in V.$$

Then  $G$  leaves  $\psi^{-1}(0) \subset V$  invariant. The quotient space  $W = \psi^{-1}(0)/G$  is called the *reduced phase space*. Let  $j: \psi^{-1}(0) \rightarrow V$  be the natural injection and  $\pi: \psi^{-1}(0) \rightarrow W$  the projection.

(b) Assume that  $0 \in \mathfrak{g}^*$  is a weakly regular value of  $\psi$  in the sense that (i)  $\psi^{-1}(0)$  is a submanifold of  $V$  and (ii) for every  $x \in \psi^{-1}(0)$ , the inclusion  $T_x(\psi^{-1}(0)) \subset \text{Ker}(d\psi_x)$  is an equality.

(c) Assume that the action of  $G$  on  $\psi^{-1}(0)$  is free and that at each point  $x \in \psi^{-1}(0)$  there is a holomorphic "slice section"  $S_x \subset \psi^{-1}(0)$  for the action.

Then the theorem says that under these assumptions  $W$  is a (possibly non-Hausdorff) complex manifold and there is a unique holomorphic symplectic structure  $\omega_W$  on  $W$  such that  $\pi^*\omega_W = j^*\omega_V$ . Marsden and Weinstein assume that the action of  $G$  is proper. We assume instead only the existence of a slice at each point of  $\psi^{-1}(0)$ . So our manifold  $W$  may not be Hausdorff.

Now we apply the theorem to the following situation. If a semi-connection  $D'' \in \mathcal{D}''(E)$  is chosen, every other element of  $\mathcal{D}''(E)$  is of the form  $D'' + \alpha$ , where  $\alpha \in A^{0,1}(\text{End}(E))$ . So  $\mathcal{D}''(E)$  is an affine space, and its tangent space at  $D''$  can be identified with  $A^{0,1}(\text{End}(E))$ . Taking  $k > \dim M$ , we consider the Sobolev space  $L_k^2(\mathcal{D}''(E))$ . The action of  $GL(E)$  is not effective; an element  $f \in GL(E)$  acts trivially on  $\mathcal{D}''(E)$  if and only if  $f = cI_E$  with  $c \in \mathbf{C}^* = \mathbf{C} - \{0\}$ . Let

$$V = L_k^2(\mathcal{D}''(E)), \quad G = L_{k+1}^2(GL(E)/\mathbf{C}^*), \quad \mathfrak{g} = L_{k+1}^2(\mathfrak{gl}(E)/\mathbf{C}).$$

Then  $G$  acts effectively and smoothly on  $V$ . Using a holomorphic symplectic structure  $\omega_M$  of  $M$ , we define a holomorphic symplectic structure  $\omega_V$  on  $V$  by

$$(2.3) \quad \omega_V(\alpha, \beta) = \int_M \text{Tr}(\alpha \wedge \beta) \wedge \omega_M^m \wedge \bar{\omega}_M^{m-1}, \quad \alpha, \beta \in T_{D''}(V),$$

where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are considered as elements of  $L_k^2(A^{0,1}(\text{End}(E))) \approx T_{D''}(V)$  and  $2m$  is the dimension of  $M$ . We define a moment  $\psi: V \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}^*$  by

$$(2.4) \quad \langle a, \psi(D'') \rangle = - \int_M \text{Tr}(a \circ N(D'')) \wedge \omega_M^m \wedge \bar{\omega}_M^{m-1}, \quad a \in \mathfrak{g}, \quad D'' \in V.$$

We verify (2.1) for  $\psi$  using the following formulas.

$$(2.5) \quad \partial_t N(D'' + t\beta)|_{t=0} = D''\beta, \quad \text{for } \beta \in L_k^2(A^{0,1}(\text{End}(E))),$$

$$(2.6) \quad \partial_t(e^{-at} \circ D'' \circ e^{at})|_{t=0} = D''a, \quad \text{for } a \in \mathfrak{g}.$$

The latter means that  $D''a$  is the tangent vector  $a_{D''} \in T_{D''}(V)$  induced by the infinitesimal action of  $a \in \mathfrak{g}$ . Now we have

$$(2.7) \quad \begin{aligned} \langle a, d\psi_{D''}(\beta) \rangle &= - \partial_t \int_M \text{Tr}(a \circ N(D'' + t\beta)) \wedge \omega_M^m \wedge \bar{\omega}_M^{m-1}|_{t=0} \\ &= - \int_M \text{Tr}(a \circ D''\beta) \wedge \omega_M^m \wedge \bar{\omega}_M^{m-1} \\ &= \int_M \text{Tr}(D''a \wedge \beta) \wedge \omega_M^m \wedge \bar{\omega}_M^{m-1} \\ &= \omega_V(D''a, \beta) = \omega_V(a_{D''}, \beta). \end{aligned}$$

This verifies (2.1) for  $\psi$ . From  $\text{Tr}(a \circ N(D''^f)) = \text{Tr}(a \circ f^{-1} \circ N(D'') \circ f) = \text{Tr}(fa f^{-1} \circ N(D''))$ , we obtain

$$(2.8) \quad \langle a, \psi(D''^f) \rangle = \langle fa f^{-1}, \psi(D'') \rangle,$$

showing that  $\psi$  is  $\text{coad}(G)$ -equivariant.

To verify (b) we have to take a certain open subset  $V'$  of  $V$ . Let  $D'' \in \psi^{-1}(0) = \{D'' \in V; N(D'') = 0\}$ . If  $\langle a, d\psi_{D''}(\beta) \rangle = 0$  for all  $\beta \in T_{D''}(V)$ , then (2.7) implies  $D''a = 0$ . So we consider the open subset  $V'$  of  $V$  consisting of  $D''$  such that  $a = 0$  is the only solution of  $D''a = 0$  in  $\mathfrak{g} = L_{k+1}^2(A^{0,0}(\text{End}^0(E)))$ . Then  $0 \in \mathfrak{g}^*$  is a weakly regular value of  $\psi|_{V'}$  and

$$(2.9) \quad \psi^{-1}(0) \cap V' = \{D'' \in V; N(D'') = 0 \text{ and } E^{D''} \text{ is simple}\}.$$

Let  $f \in G$  and  $D'' \in V'$ . If  $D''^f = D''$ , i.e.,  $D'' \circ f = f \circ D''$ , then  $D''f = 0$  and hence  $f = cI_E$  with  $c \in \mathbf{C}^*$ , showing that  $G$  acts freely on  $V$ .

Finally, we define a slice  $S_{D''}$  through  $D''$  by

$$(2.10) \quad S_{D''} = \{D'' + \alpha \in V; D''\alpha + \alpha \wedge \alpha = 0 \text{ and } D''^*\alpha = 0\},$$

where  $D''^*$  is the adjoint of  $D''$ . Then in a neighborhood of  $D''$  for which  $H^2(M, \text{End}^0(E^{D''})) = 0$ , the slice  $S_{D''}$  is a non-singular complex submanifold of  $V$ .

**Remark.** In Atiyah-Bott [1], the original Marsden-Weinstein theorem for the real case is used to construct a real symplectic structure or Kähler form on the moduli space of stable bundles over a curve. In [2] Itoh constructs also a Kähler form on the moduli space of anti-self-dual connections on a compact Kähler surface using slices.

The Kähler metric of  $M$  induces a Kähler metric on the non-singular part of the moduli space  $\hat{\mathcal{M}}(E) (\subset \mathcal{M}(E))$  of irreducible Einstein-Hermitian connections. If the metric on  $M$  is Ricci-flat so that the symplectic form  $\omega_M$  is parallel, so is the induced Kähler metric on  $\hat{\mathcal{M}}(E)$ .

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