

## 82. A Generalization of Poincaré Normal Functions on a Polarized Manifold

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1. Recently J. L. Dupont found out the connection between continuous cohomologies of semi-simple Lie groups and integrals of invariant forms over geodesic simplices in symmetric spaces ([5]). In this note we shall study the analytic structure of analogous integrals of rational forms over a simplex-like polyhedron which more or less corresponds to an  $n$ -th iterated path, associated with  $(n+1)$  intersection points of  $n$ -ple hyperplane sections in a polarized manifold. It will be shown that *these can be expressed by means of a finite sum of iterated integrals of special 1-forms in the sense of K. T. Chen*, which can be regarded as a natural generalization of abelian integrals on projective algebraic varieties ([8]). *The notion of periods of abelian integrals will also be generalized as the part of corresponding "shuffle structures" fixed by monodromy groups.*

2. Let  $(V, E)$  be an  $n$ -dimensional polarized complex manifold. Let  $|E|$  be the complete linear system of Cartier divisors associated with the line bundle  $E$ . We denote by  $h$  the dimension of  $H^0(V, \mathcal{O}_V(E))$ . Consider the space  $X = X_m$  consisting of sequences of  $m$  linearly independent sections  $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_m$  of  $H^0(V, \mathcal{O}_V(E))$ .  $X_m$  is isomorphic to the Stief $_{m, h}$ , the space of sequences of  $m$  linearly independent vectors in  $\mathbb{C}^h$ . Let  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_m$  be  $m$  Cartier divisors in  $|E|$ , associated with  $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_m$ , respectively. We shall call this a "*configuration of hyperplane sections*" and the set of all them "*configuration space of hyperplane sections*". This is parametrized by  $X_m$ .

Let  $W$  be an algebraic subset of  $V$  of codimension 1 such that  $V - W$  is affine if  $W$  is not empty. We denote by  $\mathcal{Q}(V, *W)$  the space of rational forms on  $V$  with poles in  $W$ . Let  $S_{-n}, S_{-n+1}, \dots, S_0$  be  $(n+1)$  Cartier divisors in  $|E|$  such that  $S_{-n}, S_{-n+1}, \dots, S_0$  and  $W$  are in general position.

**Definition 1.** Let  $v_i, -n \leq i \leq 0$ , be arbitrary points of  $S_{-n} \cap S_{-n+1} \cap \dots \cap S_{i-1} \cap S_{i+1} \cap \dots \cap S_{-1} \cap S_0$ . We consider a simplex-like  $n$ -polyhedron  $\Delta$  of class  $C^1$  disjoint from  $W$ , satisfying the following conditions: i)  $\partial \Delta_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_p} = \bigcup_{j \in \{i_1, \dots, i_p\}} \Delta_{j, i_1, i_2, \dots, i_p}$  where  $\Delta_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_p}$  denote  $\Delta \cap S_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap S_{i_p}$ . ii)  $\Delta_{-n, \dots, i-1, i+1, \dots, 0}$  consists of the only one point  $v_i$ .

This will be called a “*fundamental simplex with the vertices*  $v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{-n}$ ”.

By making use of the isotopy theorem due to R. Thom, it can be easily seen that such a  $\Delta$  can be constructed from lower dimensional faces.

We consider the relative analytic space  $\mathfrak{X}$  consisting of pairs  $(V - W, S_{-n} \cup S_{-n+1} \cup \dots \cup S_0)$ ,  $\langle S_{-n}, \dots, S_0 \rangle \in X$ , so that we have the natural projection  $\pi: \mathfrak{X} \rightarrow X$ , with the fibre  $(V - W, S_{-n} \cup \dots \cup S_0)$ . Let  $Y$  be the subset of  $X$  such that  $\pi$  becomes singular, namely the configuration  $\langle S_{-n}, \dots, S_0 \rangle$  and  $W$  are not in general position. Then  $\mathfrak{X} - \pi^{-1}(Y)$  is a topological fibre bundle over  $X - Y$  with the above fibre.

Now we are interested in the analytic structure of the integral

$$(1) \quad \tilde{\eta} = \int_{\Delta} \eta, \quad \text{for } \eta \in \Omega^n(V, *W).$$

**Lemma 1.**  *$\eta$  being fixed,  $\tilde{\eta}$  depends only on the homotopy class of  $\Delta$ , provided that  $v_i, -n \leq i \leq 0$ , are all fixed. Namely let  $\Delta(t), 0 \leq t \leq 1$ , be a continuous family of  $\Delta$  such that  $\Delta_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_p}(t) \subset V_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_p} = S_{i_1} \cap S_{i_2} \cap \dots \cap S_{i_p}$  and  $\Delta_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n}(t)$  are fixed. Then  $\tilde{\eta}$  is independent of  $t$ .*

For the proof see, for example, [9].

We put  $\hat{\Omega}_I = \bigoplus_{0 \leq q \leq n-p} \hat{\Omega}_I^q$  for the ordered sequence  $I = (i_1, i_2, \dots, i_p)$  where  $\hat{\Omega}_I^q$  denotes  $\bigoplus_{J \supset I} \Omega^{q-1|J-I}(V_J, *(W \cap V_J))$ . When  $I$  is empty, we denote  $\hat{\Omega}_\emptyset$  simply by  $\hat{\Omega}$ . Let  $\varepsilon_I$  be the canonical projection from  $\hat{\Omega}$  onto  $\hat{\Omega}_I$ . We can define boundary operators  $\hat{d}$  and  $\hat{d}_I$  on  $\hat{\Omega}$  and  $\hat{\Omega}_I$ , respectively, as follows:

$$(2) \quad (\hat{d}\varphi)_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_p} = \hat{d}(\varphi_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_p}) + \sum_{q=1}^p (-1)^{q-1} \cdot \varphi_{i_1, \dots, i_{q-1}, i_{q+1}, \dots, i_p},$$

for  $\varphi = (\varphi_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_p})_{0 \leq p \leq n} \in \hat{\Omega}$ ,

on each  $V_I$ . Then the following is commutative:

$$(3) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \hat{\Omega} & \xrightarrow{\hat{d}} & \hat{\Omega} \\ \downarrow \varepsilon_I & & \downarrow \varepsilon_I \\ \hat{\Omega}_I & \xrightarrow{\hat{d}_I} & \hat{\Omega}_I \end{array}$$

Then we have an extended de Rham complex  $(\hat{\Omega}, \hat{d})$  with the nilpotent covariant derivation  $\hat{d}$ , associated with the configuration  $\langle S_{-n}, S_{-n+1}, \dots, S_0 \rangle$ . We denote by  $C(V_I)$  the cell complex in  $V_I$  over  $\mathbb{C}$ . Let  $\hat{C} = \bigoplus_{0 \leq p \leq n} \hat{C}_p, \hat{C}_p = \bigoplus_I C_{p-|I|}(V_I)$  be the chain complex with the boundary operation:

$$(4) \quad (\hat{\partial}c)_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_p} = c_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_p} - \sum_{j \in \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_p\}} c_{j, i_1, i_2, \dots, i_p} (-1)^j$$

in  $V_I$  for  $c = (c_I) \in \hat{C}_n$ .

We now define the natural pairing between  $\hat{\Omega}$  and  $\hat{C}$  as follows:

$$(5) \quad \langle \varphi, c \rangle = \sum_I \int_{c_I} \varphi_I.$$

Then we have the Stokes formula:

$$(6) \quad \langle \hat{d}\varphi, c \rangle = \langle \varphi, \hat{\partial}c \rangle.$$

The integral  $\tilde{\eta}$  can be regarded as an element of  $H^n(\hat{\Omega}, \hat{d})$ , by taking as  $\varphi_\phi = \eta$  and  $\varphi_I = 0$  otherwise.  $\Delta$  itself becomes a cycle.

**Proposition 1.**  $H^n(\hat{\Omega}, \hat{d})$  has a filtration  $F_I$  satisfying the following conditions: i)  $F_I = H^*(\hat{\Omega}_I, \hat{d}_I)$ , ii)  $F_I \supset F_J$  if  $I \subset J$ , and iii)  $H^{n-|I|}(\hat{\Omega}_I / \sum_{J \supset I} \hat{\Omega}_J, \hat{d}_I) = F_I \cap H^{n-|I|}(\hat{\Omega}_I, \hat{d}_I) / \sum_{J \supset I} F_J \cap H^{n-|I|}(\hat{\Omega}_I, \hat{d}_I) = H^{n-|I|}(V_I - W \cap V_I, C)$ .

We denote by  $H^0(X, \Theta(*Y))$  the space of rational vector fields on  $X$  with poles only on  $Y$ . Then

**Proposition 2.** For any  $\tau \in H^0(X, \Theta(*Y))$ , the covariant differentiation  $\nabla$  of the Gauss-Manin connection:

$$(7) \quad \left\langle \tau, d_x \int_c \varphi \right\rangle = \int_c \nabla_\tau \varphi$$

acting on  $\mathcal{O}_{X-Y} \cdot H^*(\hat{\Omega}, \hat{d})$ , satisfies

$$(8) \quad \nabla_\tau \mathcal{O} \cdot F_I \subset \mathcal{O} \cdot F_I \oplus \sum_{J \supseteq I} \mathcal{O} \cdot F_J.$$

This follows from the following

**Lemma 2.** Let  $V$  be an affine variety of dimension  $n$  embedded in  $C^{n+m}$ . Let  $f_0, f_1, \dots, f_n$  be linearly independent linear functions on  $C^{n+m}$ . Let  $\Delta$  be an  $n$ -polyhedron in  $V$  satisfying  $\partial\Delta = \bigcup_{i=0}^n \partial\Delta \cap \{f_i = 0\}$ . We assume that each  $f_j$  depends holomorphically on  $t$  in an open neighbourhood  $U \subset C$ . Then

$$(9) \quad d/dt \int_\Delta \eta = \int_\Delta \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial t} + \sum_{j=0}^n \int_{\partial\Delta \cap \{f_j=0\}} \partial f_j / \partial t \cdot \eta / df_j$$

for a holomorphic  $n$ -form  $\eta$  on  $\Delta$ .

According to Proposition 1, there exists a basis  $\{e_I^{(\nu)}, 1 \leq \nu \leq \mu_I\}$  of  $H^{n-|I|}(V_I - V_I \cap W, C)$  such that each  $\{e_J^{(\nu)}; 1 \leq \nu \leq \mu_J, J \supset I\}$  forms a basis of  $H^{n-|I|}(\hat{\Omega}_I, \hat{d}_I)$ . Let  $P_I$  be a system of  $\mu_I$  linearly independent horizontal solutions of the Gauss-Manin connection  $D_I$  on  $H^{n-|I|}(\hat{\Omega}_I / \sum_{J \supset I} \hat{\Omega}_J, \hat{d}_I) = H^{n-|I|}(V_I - V_I \cap W, C)$ . Then there exists an integrable connection form  $\omega_I = (\omega_{I,s}^r) \in \Omega^1(X, *Y) \otimes gl(\mu_I, C)$  such that

$$(10) \quad D_I P_I = d_x P_I - \omega_I \cdot P_I = 0.$$

According to Proposition 2 we have

$$(11) \quad d_x \int e_I^{(r)} - \sum_{s=1}^{\mu_I} \omega_{I,s}^r \int e_I^s = \sum_{J \supseteq I, s=1}^{\mu_I} A_{(I,J),s}^r \int e_J^{(s)}$$

with  $A_{(I,J),s}^r(x, dx) \in \Omega^1(X, *Y)$ . Therefore by solving the differential equation (11), we arrive at the following

**Theorem 1.** For any sequence  $\phi \subset I_1 \subset I_2 \subset \dots \subset I_n \subset \{-n, -n+1, \dots, 0\}$ , the integral  $\tilde{\eta}$ , being a linear combination of  $\int e_\phi^{(r)}, 1 \leq r \leq \mu_\phi$ , can be described as an element of the  $\Omega^0(X, *Y)$ -module generated by the  $\mu_\phi \cdot \mu_{I_n}$  components of the matrix valued iterated integrals of the following type:

$$(12) \quad P_\phi(x) \cdot \int^\infty P_\phi^{-1}(x_1) \cdot A_{\phi I_1}(x_1, dx_1) \cdot P_{I_1}(x_1) \cdot \int^{x_1} P_{I_1}^{-1}(x_2) \cdot A_{I_1, I_2}(x_2, dx_2)$$

$$\times P_{I_2}(x_2) \cdot \int^{x_2} \cdots \int^{x_{n-1}} P_{I_{n-1}}^{-1}(x_n) \cdot A_{I_{n-1}, I_n}(x_n, dx_n) \cdot P_{I_n}(x_n).$$

According to K. T. Chen’s formula (see [4, p. 222]) we have

**Corollary.** *The monodromy  $M_\gamma, \gamma \in \pi_1(X - Y, *)$  preserves each  $F_I: M_\gamma \cdot F_I \subset F_I$ . Using the dual basis  $\{e_{J,r}^*\}$  of the above  $\{e_J^*\}$ ,  $M_\gamma$  can be written in an explicit way:*

$$(13) \quad M_\gamma(e_{I,r}^*) = \sum_{J \supset I, s=1}^{n_I} M_{(J,I),r}^s \cdot e_{J,s}^*.$$

Therefore  $M_\gamma$  is unipotent if and only if  $M_{(J,I)}$  are all the identities.

By taking a suitable finite covering  $\tilde{X}$  of  $X$ , we may assume that  $M_{(I_n, I_n)}$  and  $M_{(\phi, \phi)}$  are the identities of orders  $\deg(V, E)$  and  $\dim H^n(V - W, C)$ , respectively. The fixed part  $\text{Hom}_C(H^n(\hat{\Omega}, \hat{d}), C)^{\pi_1}$  of  $\pi_1(X - Y, *)$ -module  $\text{Hom}_C(H^n(\hat{\Omega}, \hat{d}), C)$  contains  $H_n(V - W, C)$  when  $V - W$  is affine and contains the  $(n, 0)$ -part of  $H_n(V, C)$  when  $W$  is empty. When  $n$  is equal to 1, this coincides with the usual periods system of abelian integrals. Under this situation the following questions seem interesting: *Do  $H_n(V - W, C)$  and the  $(n, 0)$ -part of  $H_n(V, C)$  coincide with  $\text{Hom}_C(H^n(\hat{\Omega}, \hat{d}), C)^{\pi_1}$  when  $V - W$  are affine and empty respectively? Does the totality of elements of the matrices  $M_{(I_n, \phi)} \in \text{Hom}(Z[\pi_1(\tilde{X} - \tilde{Y}, *)], R^{\mu_{I_n}})$  generate  $\text{Hom}_C(H^n(\hat{\Omega}, \hat{d}), C)^{\pi_1}$ ? It also seems interesting to give any relation between  $\text{Hom}_C(H^n(\hat{\Omega}, \hat{d}), C)^{\pi_1}$  and Griffiths intermediate Jacobian (see [7]).*

3. In this section we shall give important examples where  $M_\gamma$  are all unipotent. From now on we shall assume the Fujita  $\Delta$ -genus  $A(V, E)$  vanishes. Then it is known that  $(V, E)$  is isomorphic to a) the complex projective space  $(CP^n, H)$ , b) the hyper-quadric  $(Q^n, H)$ , c) the tautological line bundle of an ample vector bundle over the projective line and its base space, or d)  $(CP^2, H^2)$  where  $H$  denotes the hyperplane bundle (see [6]). We shall take as  $W$  the union of Cartier divisors  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_m$  of  $|E|$  in general position. Then we have

**Proposition 3.** *There exists a finite covering  $(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y})$  over  $(X, Y)$  branched along  $Y$  such that*

$$(14) \quad \mathcal{V}_\tau \cdot \mathcal{F}_I \subset \sum_{J \supseteq I} \mathcal{O} \cdot \mathcal{F}_J$$

for any  $\tau \in H^0(X, \mathcal{O}(*Y))$ .  $M_{(J,J)}$  all become the identities.

Actually  $\mathcal{V}_\tau$  can be explicitly computed (see also [1]).

**Definition 2.** Consider the space  $B^0(\Omega^1(\tilde{X}, \log \langle \tilde{Y} \rangle))$  spanned by iterated integrals on the path space  $\mathcal{P}(\tilde{X} - \tilde{Y}, *)$  of  $\tilde{X} - \tilde{Y}$ :

$$(15) \quad \int \omega_{i_1}, \omega_{i_2}, \dots, \omega_{i_p}$$

where  $\omega_j \in \Omega^1(\tilde{X}, \log \langle \tilde{Y} \rangle)$ . The elements of  $B^0$  depending only on homotopy classes in  $\mathcal{P}(\tilde{X} - \tilde{Y}, *)$  will be called “hyper-logarithms of  $p$ -th order” (see [2]).

Then Proposition 2 implies immediately the following

**Theorem 2.** *If  $\Delta(V, E) = 0$ , then the integral  $\tilde{\eta}$  can be described as a finite sum of*

*(rational functions)  $\times$  (hyper-logarithms of at most  $n$ -th order) on  $\tilde{X}$  with singularities only on  $\tilde{Y}$ .*

In view of Lemma 2, Proposition 2 can be proved case by case, by computing suitable bases of the cohomologies  $H^{n-|I|}(V_I - V_I \cap W, C)$ . (It is essential that all  $\Delta(V_I, E_I)$  vanish for  $E_I = E|_{V_I}$ .) In fact, by using a technique in [3], we have

**Lemma 3.** *Case a) We put  $V' = V - S_m$  and  $W' = V' \cap W$ . Then  $W'$  is the union of hyperplane sections  $S_j: f_j = 0$  ( $1 \leq j \leq m-1$ ) in general position in  $V' = C^n$ . As is well known,  $H^n(V' - W', C)$  has a basis consisting of the logarithmic forms:*

$$d \log f_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge d \log f_{i_n}.$$

*Case b) Let  $V'$  and  $W'$  as above. Then  $W'$  is the union of hyperplane sections  $S_j: f_j = 0$  ( $1 \leq j \leq m-1$ ) in the hyperquadric  $V': x_0^2 + x_1^2 + \cdots + x_n^2 = 1$  in  $C^{n+1}$ .  $H^n(V' - W', C)$  has a basis:*

$$\frac{\theta}{f_{i_1} f_{i_2} \cdots f_{i_p}}, \quad 0 \leq p \leq n, \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\{f_0, f_{i_1}, \cdots, f_{i_n}\}^\perp}{f_{i_1} f_{i_2} \cdots f_{i_n}} \theta, \quad p = n,$$

*with  $1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_p \leq m-1$  and  $\theta = \sum_{j=0}^n (-1)^j \cdot x_j dx_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge dx_{j-1} \wedge dx_{j+1} \wedge \cdots \wedge dx_n$ , where  $\{f_0, f_{i_1}, \cdots, f_{i_n}\}^\perp$  denotes a non-zero linear function  $g$  such that  $(g, \mathbf{1}) = (g, f_{i_1}) = \cdots = (g, f_{i_n}) = 0$ , and  $(a, b)$  denotes  $\sum_{j=0}^{n+1} \alpha_j \beta_j$  for  $a = \sum_{j=0}^n \alpha_j x_j + \alpha_{n+1}$  and  $b = \sum_{j=0}^n \beta_j x_j + \beta_{n+1}$ .*

*Case c) There exists a sequence of positive integers  $\mu_1, \mu_2, \cdots, \mu_n$  such that  $V$  is embedded in  $CP^{h-1}$ ,  $h = \mu_1 + \mu_2 + \cdots + \mu_n + n$ , by the mapping*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} C^2 \times C^n & \rightarrow & CP^{h-1} \\ \cup & & \cup \\ (w_0, w_1; \zeta_1, \zeta_2, \cdots, \zeta_n) & \rightarrow & (u_{j,k}) \end{array}$$

*where  $u_{j,k} = w_0^{\mu_j - k} \cdot w_1^k \cdot \zeta_j$ . Let  $S_{m+1}$  be the divisor defined by  $w_0 = \zeta_1 = 0$  in  $V$  which is in general position with respect to  $S_1, S_2, \cdots, S_m$ . Then  $V' = V - S_{m+1}$  is isomorphic to  $C^n$  with the coordinates  $w_1/w_0 = x_1, \zeta_2/\zeta_1 = x_2, \cdots, \zeta_n/\zeta_1 = x_n$ . Let  $W'$  be the union of hypersurfaces  $S_j: f_j = 0$  in  $V'$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq m$ , where  $f_j = \sum_{k=2}^n \alpha_{jk}(x_1) \cdot x_k + \alpha_{j1}(x_1)$ ,  $\alpha_{jk}(x_1) \in C[x_1]$ .  $H^n(V' - W', C)$  has a basis*

$$\frac{x_1^\sigma}{[i_1, i_2, \cdots, i_{n-1}]} dx_1 \wedge d \log f_{i_1} \wedge d \log f_{i_2} \wedge \cdots \wedge d \log f_{i_{n-1}},$$

*$1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_{n-1} \leq m$ ,  $0 \leq \sigma \leq \deg [i_1, i_2, \cdots, i_{n-1}] - 1$  and*

$$x_1^\sigma \cdot \frac{dx_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge dx_n}{f_{i_1} \cdots f_{i_n}}$$

*$1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_n \leq m$ ,  $0 \leq \sigma \leq \deg [i_1, i_2, \cdots, i_n] - 1$ , where  $[i_1, i_2, \cdots, i_{n-1}]$  and  $[i_1, i_2, \cdots, i_n]$  denote the determinants*

$$\left| \begin{array}{c} \alpha_{i_1,2} \cdots \alpha_{i_1,n} \\ \cdots \\ \cdots \\ \alpha_{i_{n-1},2} \cdots \alpha_{i_{n-1},n} \end{array} \right| \quad \text{and} \quad \left| \begin{array}{c} \alpha_{i_1,1} \cdots \alpha_{i_1,n} \\ \cdots \\ \cdots \\ \alpha_{i_n,1} \cdots \alpha_{i_n,n} \end{array} \right|$$

respectively.

Case d) Let  $S_{m+1}$  be the line at infinity in  $\mathbf{CP}^2$ , which is in general position with respect to  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_m$ . Let  $V'$  be  $\mathbf{CP}^2 - S_{m+1} = \mathbf{C}^2$ . Let  $W'$  be the union of  $S_j: f_j=0$ . Then  $H^n(V' - W', \mathbf{C})$  has a basis

$$\varphi_{ij}(x_1, x_2) \frac{df_i \wedge df_j}{f_i f_j} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{dx_1 \wedge dx_2}{f_i}$$

where  $\varphi_{ij}(x_1, x_2) \in C[x_1, x_2] \bmod$  the ideal  $(f_i, f_j)$ .

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