

# Ricci curvature and geometry of compact Kähler varieties

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# General plan of the Kähler main lectures

## Ricci curvature and geometry of compact Kähler varieties

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  - definitions and characterizations of the concept of ample, nef, big and pseudoeffective line bundles and  $(1,1)$ -classes
  - Numerical characterization of the Kähler cone
  - Approximate analytic Zariski decomposition and abundance
- Lecture 2: Uniruledness, rational connectedness and  $-K_X$  nef
  - Orthogonality estimates and duality of positive cones
  - Criterion for uniruledness and rational connectedness
  - Examples of compact Kähler mflds  $X$  with  $-K_X \geq 0$  or nef.
- Lecture 3: Holonomy and main structure theorems
  - concept of holonomy of euclidean & hermitian vector bundles
  - De Rham splitting theorem and Berger's classification of holonomy groups
  - Generalized holonomy principle and structure theorems
  - investigation of the case when  $-K_X$  is nef (Cao, Höring)

## Positivity concepts in Kähler geometry

A brief survey of the main positivity concepts in algebraic and analytic geometry.

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where  $J = (j_1, \dots, j_p)$ ,  $K = (k_1, \dots, k_q)$ ,

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- Hessian forms of plurisubharmonic functions :

$$\varphi \text{ plurisubharmonic} \Leftrightarrow \left( \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial z_j \partial \bar{z}_k} \right) \geq 0$$

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- Every complex analytic and locally closed submanifold  $X \subset \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^N$  in projective space is Kähler when equipped with the restriction of the **Fubini-Study metric**

$$\omega_{FS} = \frac{i}{2\pi} \log(|z_0|^2 + |z_1|^2 + \dots + |z_N|^2).$$

- Especially projective algebraic varieties are Kähler.

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  - $\alpha$   $\bar{\partial}$ -closed  $(p, q)$ -form/current to  $F \mapsto \{\alpha\} \in H^{p,q}(X, F)$

Dolbeault isomorphism (Dolbeault - Grothendieck 1953)

$$H^{0,q}(X, F) \simeq H^q(X, \mathcal{O}(F)),$$

$$H^{p,q}(X, F) \simeq H^q(X, \Omega_X^p \otimes \mathcal{O}(F))$$

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One always has morphisms

$$H_{BC}^{p,q}(X, \mathbb{C}) \rightarrow H^{p,q}(X, \mathbb{C}) \rightarrow H_A^{p,q}(X, \mathbb{C}).$$

They are not always isomorphisms, **but are if  $X$  is Kähler.**

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## Theorem (Claire Voisin, 2001)

There exists a 4-dimensional complex torus  $X$  possessing a non trivial Hodge class of type  $(2, 2)$ , such that every coherent analytic sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $X$  satisfies  $c_2(\mathcal{F}) = 0$ .



# Kodaira embedding theorem

## Theorem (Kodaira 1953)

Let  $X$  be a compact complex  $n$ -dimensional manifold. Then the following properties are equivalent.

- $X$  can be embedded in some projective space  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^N$  as a closed analytic submanifold (and such a submanifold is automatically algebraic by Chow's theorem).
- $X$  carries a hermitian holomorphic line bundle  $(L, h)$  with positive definite smooth curvature form  $i\Theta_{L,h} > 0$ .

For  $\xi \in L_x \simeq \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\|\xi\|_h^2 = |\xi|^2 e^{-\varphi(x)}$ ,

$$i\Theta_{L,h} = i\partial\bar{\partial}\varphi = -i\partial\bar{\partial}\log h,$$

$$c_1(L) = \left\{ \frac{i}{2\pi} \Theta_{L,h} \right\}.$$

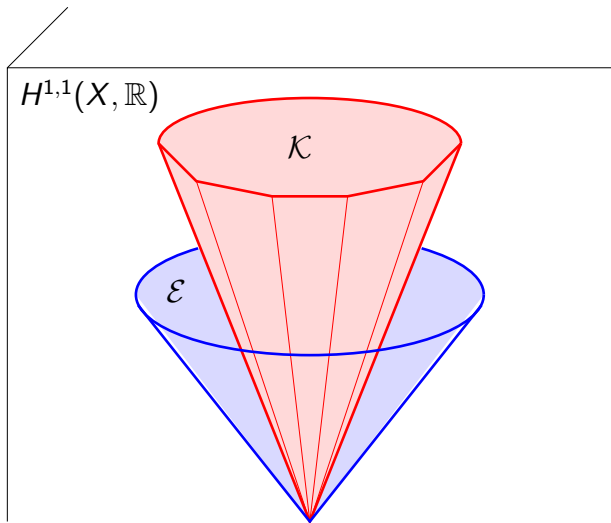
- $X$  possesses a Hodge metric, i.e., a Kähler metric  $\omega$  such that  $\{\omega\} \in H^2(X, \mathbb{Z})$ .

## Definition

Let  $X$  be a compact Kähler manifold.

- The **Kähler cone** is the set  $\mathcal{K} \subset H^{1,1}(X, \mathbb{R})$  of cohomology classes  $\{\omega\}$  of Kähler forms. This is an open convex cone.
- The **pseudo-effective cone** is the set  $\mathcal{E} \subset H^{1,1}(X, \mathbb{R})$  of cohomology classes  $\{T\}$  of closed positive  $(1, 1)$  currents. This is a closed convex cone.  
(by weak compactness of bounded sets of currents).
- Always true:  $\overline{\mathcal{K}} \subset \mathcal{E}$ .
- One can have:  $\overline{\mathcal{K}} \subsetneq \mathcal{E}$ :  
if  $X$  is the surface obtained by blowing-up  $\mathbb{P}^2$  in one point, then the exceptional divisor  $E \simeq \mathbb{P}^1$  has a cohomology class  $\{\alpha\}$  such that  $\int_E \alpha = E^2 = -1$ , hence  $\{\alpha\} \notin \overline{\mathcal{K}}$ , although  $\{\alpha\} = \{[E]\} \in \mathcal{E}$ .

# Kähler (red) cone and pseudoeffective (blue) cone



# Neron Severi parts of the cones

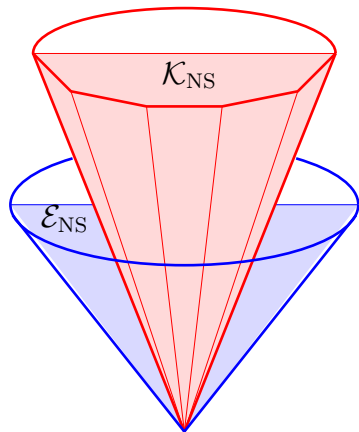
In case  $X$  is projective, it is interesting to consider the “algebraic part” of our “transcendental cones”  $\mathcal{K}$  and  $\mathcal{E}$ , which consist of suitable integral divisor classes. Since the cohomology classes of such divisors live in  $H^2(X, \mathbb{Z})$ , we are led to introduce the Neron-Severi lattice and the associated Neron-Severi space

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{NS}(X) &:= H^{1,1}(X, \mathbb{R}) \cap (H^2(X, \mathbb{Z})/\{\text{torsion}\}), \\ \mathrm{NS}_{\mathbb{R}}(X) &:= \mathrm{NS}(X) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{R}, \\ \mathcal{K}_{\mathrm{NS}} &:= \mathcal{K} \cap \mathrm{NS}_{\mathbb{R}}(X), \\ \mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{NS}} &:= \mathcal{E} \cap \mathrm{NS}_{\mathbb{R}}(X). \end{aligned}$$

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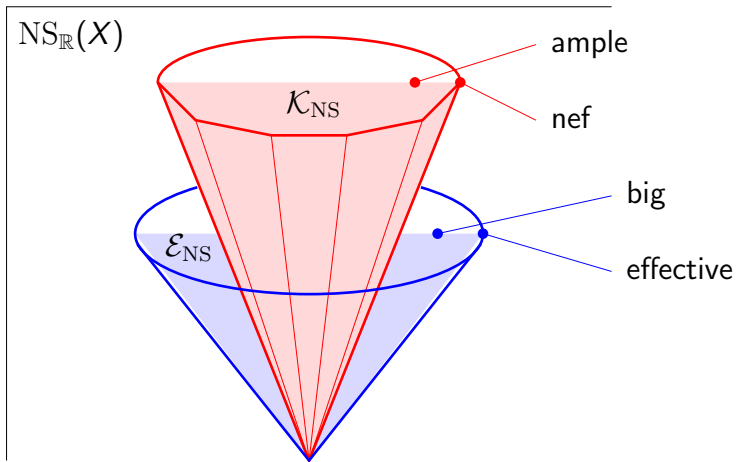


Theorem (Kodaira + successors, D 90)

Assume  $X$  projective.

- $\mathcal{K}_{\text{NS}}$  is the open cone generated by **ample** (or **very ample**) divisors  $A$  (Recall that a divisor  $A$  is said to be very ample if the linear system  $H^0(X, \mathcal{O}(A))$  provides an embedding of  $X$  in projective space).
- The closed cone  $\overline{\mathcal{K}}_{\text{NS}}$  consists of the closure of the cone of **nef divisors**  $D$  (or nef line bundles  $L$ ), namely effective integral divisors  $D$  such that  $D \cdot C \geq 0$  for every curve  $C$ .
- $\mathcal{E}_{\text{NS}}$  is the closure of the cone of **effective divisors**, i.e. divisors  $D = \sum c_j D_j$ ,  $c_j \in \mathbb{R}_+$ .
- The interior  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{NS}}^\circ$  is the cone of **big divisors**, namely divisors  $D$  such that  $h^0(X, \mathcal{O}(kD)) \geq c k^{\dim X}$  for  $k$  large.

Proof:  $L^2$  estimates for  $\overline{\partial}$  / Bochner-Kodaira technique



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## Theorem (D-92)

Any Kähler current  $T$  can be written

$$T = \lim T_m$$

where  $T_m \in \alpha = \{T\}$  has **logarithmic poles**, i.e.

$\exists$  a **modification**  $\mu_m : \tilde{X}_m \rightarrow X$  such that

$$\mu_m^* T_m = [E_m] + \beta_m,$$

where  $E_m$  is an effective  $\mathbb{Q}$ -divisor on  $\tilde{X}_m$  with coefficients in  $\frac{1}{m}\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\beta_m$  is a Kähler form on  $\tilde{X}_m$ .

# Idea of proof of analytic Zariski decomposition (1)

Locally one can write  $T = i\partial\bar{\partial}\varphi$  for some strictly plurisubharmonic potential  $\varphi$  on  $X$ . The approximating potentials  $\varphi_m$  of  $\varphi$  are defined as

$$\varphi_m(z) = \frac{1}{2m} \log \sum_{\ell} |g_{\ell,m}(z)|^2$$

where  $(g_{\ell,m})$  is a Hilbert basis of the space

$$\mathcal{H}(\Omega, m\varphi) = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega); \int_{\Omega} |f|^2 e^{-2m\varphi} dV < +\infty \right\}.$$

The Ohsawa-Takegoshi  $L^2$  extension theorem (applied to extension from a single isolated point) implies that there are enough such holomorphic functions, and thus  $\varphi_m \geq \varphi - C/m$ . On the other hand  $\varphi = \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \varphi_m$  by a Bergman kernel trick and by the mean value inequality.

# Idea of proof of analytic Zariski decomposition (2)

The Hilbert basis  $(g_{\ell,m})$  is a family of local generators of the multiplier ideal sheaf  $\mathcal{I}(mT) = \mathcal{I}(m\varphi)$ . The modification  $\mu_m : \tilde{X}_m \rightarrow X$  is obtained by blowing-up this ideal sheaf, with

$$\mu_m^* \mathcal{I}(mT) = \mathcal{O}(-mE_m).$$

for some effective  $\mathbb{Q}$ -divisor  $E_m$  with normal crossings on  $\tilde{X}_m$ . Now, we set  $T_m = i\partial\bar{\partial}\varphi_m$  and  $\beta_m = \mu_m^* T_m - [E_m]$ . Then  $\beta_m = i\partial\bar{\partial}\psi_m$  where

$$\psi_m = \frac{1}{2m} \log \sum_{\ell} |g_{\ell,m} \circ \mu_m / h|^2 \quad \text{locally on } \tilde{X}_m$$

and  $h$  is a generator of  $\mathcal{O}(-mE_m)$ , and we see that  $\beta_m$  is a smooth semi-positive form on  $\tilde{X}_m$ . The construction can be made global by using a gluing technique, e.g. via partitions of unity, and  $\beta_m$  can be made Kähler by a perturbation argument.

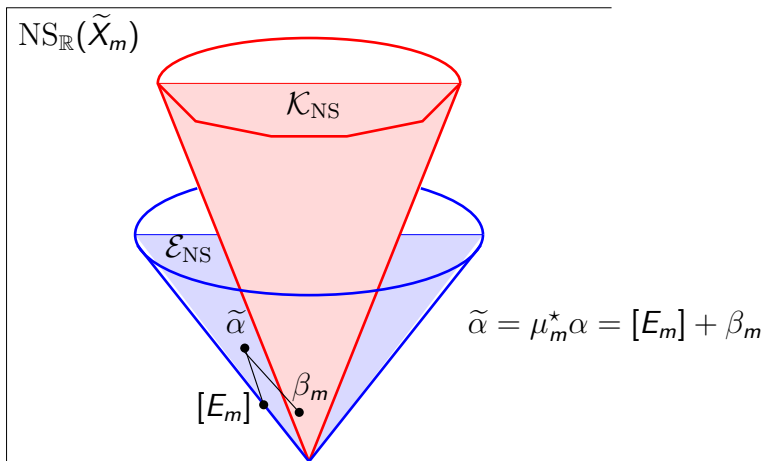
# Algebraic analogue

The more familiar algebraic analogue would be to take  $\alpha = c_1(L)$  with a big line bundle  $L$  and to blow-up the base locus of  $|mL|$ ,  $m \gg 1$ , to get a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -divisor decomposition

$$\mu_m^* L \sim E_m + D_m, \quad E_m \text{ effective, } D_m \text{ free.}$$

Such a blow-up is usually referred to as a “log resolution” of the linear system  $|mL|$ , and we say that  $E_m + D_m$  is an approximate Zariski decomposition of  $L$ . We will also use this terminology for Kähler currents with logarithmic poles.

# Analytic Zariski decomposition



# Characterization of the Fujiki class $\mathcal{C}$

## Theorem (Demailly-Păun 2004)

A compact complex manifold  $X$  is bimeromorphic to a Kähler manifold  $\tilde{X}$  (or equivalently, dominated by a Kähler manifold  $\tilde{X}$ ) if and only if it carries a Kähler current  $T$ .

*Proof.* If  $\mu : \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$  is a modification and  $\tilde{\omega}$  is a Kähler metric on  $\tilde{X}$ , then  $T = \mu_*\tilde{\omega}$  is a Kähler current on  $X$ .

Conversely, if  $T$  is a Kähler current, we take  $\tilde{X} = \tilde{X}_m$  and  $\tilde{\omega} = \beta_m$  for  $m$  large enough.

## Definition

The class of compact complex manifolds  $X$  bimeromorphic to some Kähler manifold  $\tilde{X}$  is called **the Fujiki class  $\mathcal{C}$** .

Hodge decomposition still holds true in  $\mathcal{C}$ .

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## Corollary (Projective case)

If  $X$  is projective algebraic, then  $\mathcal{K} = \mathcal{P}$ .

*Note:* this is a “transcendental version” of the Nakai-Moishezon criterion. The proof relies in an essential way on Monge-Ampère equations (Calabi-Yau theorem).

# Example (non projective) for which $\mathcal{K} \subsetneq \mathcal{P}$ .

Take  $X =$  generic complex torus  $X = \mathbb{C}^n/\Lambda$ .

Then  $X$  **does not possess any analytic subset** except finite subsets and  $X$  itself.

Hence  $\mathcal{P} = \{\alpha \in H^{1,1}(X, \mathbb{R}); \int_X \alpha^n > 0\}$ .

Since  $H^{1,1}(X, \mathbb{R})$  is in one-to-one correspondence with constant hermitian forms,  $\mathcal{P}$  is the set of hermitian forms on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  such that  $\det(\alpha) > 0$ , i.e.

**possessing an even number of negative eigenvalues.**

$\mathcal{K}$  is the component with all eigenvalues  $> 0$ .

# Proof of the theorem : use Monge-Ampère

Fix  $\alpha \in \overline{\mathcal{K}}$  so that  $\int_X \alpha^n > 0$ .

If  $\omega$  is Kähler, then  $\{\alpha + \varepsilon\omega\}$  is a Kähler class  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ .

Use the **Calabi-Yau theorem** (Yau 1978) to solve the Monge-Ampère equation

$$(\alpha + \varepsilon\omega + i\partial\bar{\partial}\varphi_\varepsilon)^n = f_\varepsilon$$

where  $f_\varepsilon > 0$  is a suitably chosen volume form.

Necessary and sufficient condition :

$$\int_X f_\varepsilon = (\alpha + \varepsilon\omega)^n \quad \text{in } H^{n,n}(X, \mathbb{R}).$$

In other terms, the infinitesimal volume form of the Kähler metric  $\alpha_\varepsilon = \alpha + \varepsilon\omega + i\partial\bar{\partial}\varphi_\varepsilon$  can be distributed **randomly** on  $X$ .

# Proof of the theorem : concentration of mass

In particular, the mass of the right hand side  $f_\varepsilon$  can be distributed in an  $\varepsilon$ -neighborhood  $U_\varepsilon$  of any given subvariety  $Y \subset X$ .

If  $\text{codim } Y = p$ , one can show that

$$(\alpha + \varepsilon\omega + i\partial\bar{\partial}\varphi_\varepsilon)^p \rightarrow \Theta \quad \text{weakly}$$

where  $\Theta$  positive  $(p, p)$ -current and  $\Theta \geq \delta[Y]$  for some  $\delta > 0$ .

Now, “diagonal trick”: apply the above result to

$$\tilde{X} = X \times X, \quad \tilde{Y} = \text{diagonal} \subset \tilde{X}, \quad \tilde{\alpha} = \text{pr}_1^* \alpha + \text{pr}_2^* \alpha.$$

As  $\tilde{\alpha}$  is nef on  $\tilde{X}$  and  $\int_{\tilde{X}} (\tilde{\alpha})^{2n} > 0$ , it follows by the above that the class  $\{\tilde{\alpha}\}^n$  contains a Kähler current  $\Theta$  such that  $\Theta \geq \delta[\tilde{Y}]$  for some  $\delta > 0$ . Therefore

$$T := (\text{pr}_1)_*(\Theta \wedge \text{pr}_2^* \omega)$$

is numerically equivalent to a multiple of  $\alpha$  and dominates  $\delta\omega$ , and we see that  $T$  is a Kähler current.

# Generalized Grauert-Riemenschneider result

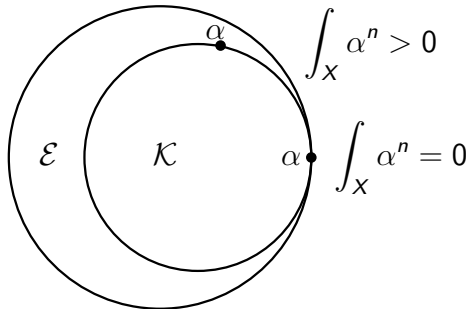
This implies the following result.

Theorem (Demailly-Păun, Annals of Math. 2004)

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Illustration:



# Final step of proof

Clearly the open cone  $\mathcal{K}$  is contained in  $\mathcal{P}$ , hence in order to show that  $\mathcal{K}$  is one of the connected components of  $\mathcal{P}$ , we need only show that  $\mathcal{K}$  is closed in  $\mathcal{P}$ , i.e. that  $\overline{\mathcal{K}} \cap \mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{K}$ . Pick a class  $\{\alpha\} \in \overline{\mathcal{K}} \cap \mathcal{P}$ . In particular  $\{\alpha\}$  is nef and satisfies  $\int_X \alpha^n > 0$ . Hence  $\{\alpha\}$  contains a Kähler current  $T$ .

Now, an induction on dimension using the assumption  $\int_Y \alpha^p > 0$  for all analytic subsets  $Y$  (we also use resolution of singularities for  $Y$  at this step) shows that the restriction  $\{\alpha\}|_Y$  is the class of a Kähler current on  $Y$ .

We conclude that  $\{\alpha\}$  is a Kähler class by results of Paun (PhD 1997), therefore  $\{\alpha\} \in \mathcal{K}$ .

# Variants of the main theorem

**Corollary 1** (DP 2004). *Let  $X$  be a compact Kähler manifold.*

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for all  $Y \subset X$  irreducible and all  $k = 1, 2, \dots, p = \dim Y$ .

*Proof.* Argue with  $(1-t)\alpha + t\omega$ ,  $t \in [0, 1]$ .

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## Consequence

The dual of the nef cone  $\overline{\mathcal{K}}$  is the closed convex cone in  $H^{n-1, n-1}(X, \mathbb{R})$  generated by cohomology classes of currents of the form  $[Y] \wedge \omega^{p-1} \in H^{n-1, n-1}(X, \mathbb{R})$ .



# Theorem on deformation stability of Kähler cones

## Theorem (Demailly-Păun 2004)

Let  $\pi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow S$  be a deformation of compact Kähler manifolds over an irreducible base  $S$ . Then there exists a countable union  $S' = \bigcup S_\nu$  of analytic subsets  $S_\nu \subsetneq S$ , such that the Kähler cones  $\mathcal{K}_t \subset H^{1,1}(X_t, \mathbb{C})$  of the fibers  $X_t = \pi^{-1}(t)$  are  $\nabla^{1,1}$ -invariant over  $S \setminus S'$  under parallel transport with respect to the  $(1, 1)$ -projection  $\nabla^{1,1}$  of the Gauss-Manin connection  $\nabla$  in the decomposition of

$$\nabla = \begin{pmatrix} \nabla^{2,0} & * & 0 \\ * & \nabla^{1,1} & * \\ 0 & * & \nabla^{0,2} \end{pmatrix}$$

on the Hodge bundle  $H^2 = H^{2,0} \oplus H^{1,1} \oplus H^{0,2}$ .

# Positive cones in $H^{n-1,n-1}(X)$ and Serre duality

## Definition

Let  $X$  be a compact Kähler manifold.

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- Cone of effective curves

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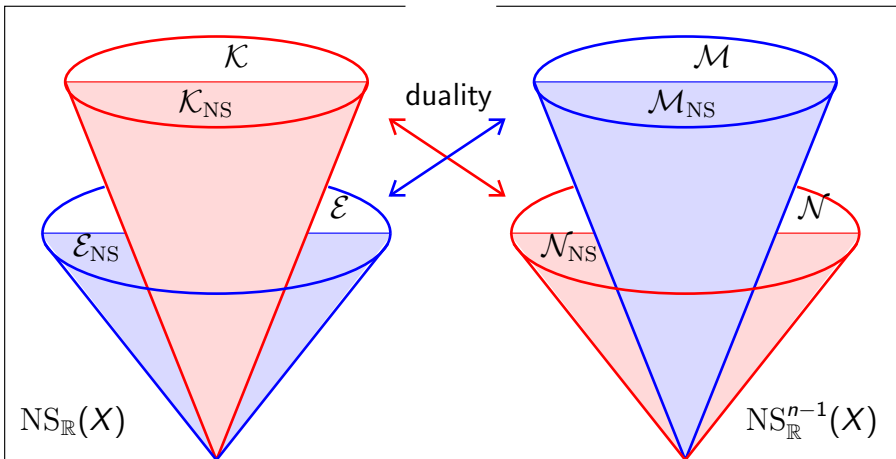
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# Concept of volume (very important !)

## Definition (Boucksom 2002)

The **volume** (**movable self-intersection**) of a big class  $\alpha \in \mathcal{E}^\circ$  is

$$\text{Vol}(\alpha) = \sup_{T \in \alpha} \int_{\tilde{X}} \beta^n > 0$$

where the supremum is taken over all Kähler currents  $T \in \alpha$  with logarithmic poles, and  $\mu^* T = [E] + \beta$  with respect to some modification  $\mu : \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ .

If  $\alpha \in \mathcal{K}$ , then  $\text{Vol}(\alpha) = \alpha^n = \int_X \alpha^n$ .

## Theorem (Boucksom 2002)

If  $L$  is a big line bundle and  $\mu_m^*(mL) = [E_m] + [D_m]$   
(where  $E_m =$  fixed part,  $D_m =$  moving part), then

$$\text{Vol}(c_1(L)) = \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{n!}{m^n} h^0(X, mL) = \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} D_m^n.$$



# Approximate Zariski decomposition

In other words, the volume measures the amount of sections and the growth of the degree of the images of the rational maps

$$\Phi_{|mL|} : X \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^n$$

By Fujita 1994 and Demailly-Ein-Lazarsfeld 2000, one has

## Theorem

Let  $L$  be a big line bundle on the projective manifold  $X$ . Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then there exists a modification  $\mu : X_{\epsilon} \rightarrow X$  and a decomposition  $\mu^*(L) = E + \beta$  with  $E$  an effective  $\mathbb{Q}$ -divisor and  $\beta$  a big and nef  $\mathbb{Q}$ -divisor such that

$$\text{Vol}(L) - \epsilon \leq \text{Vol}(\beta) \leq \text{Vol}(L).$$

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- The product is increasing, homogeneous of degree 1 and superadditive in each argument, i.e.

$$\langle \alpha_1 \cdots (\alpha'_j + \alpha''_j) \cdots \alpha_k \rangle \geq \langle \alpha_1 \cdots \alpha'_j \cdots \alpha_k \rangle + \langle \alpha_1 \cdots \alpha''_j \cdots \alpha_k \rangle.$$

It coincides with the ordinary intersection product when the  $\alpha_j \in \overline{\mathcal{K}}$  are nef classes.

# Divisorial Zariski decomposition

Using the above intersection product, one can easily derive the following divisorial Zariski decomposition result.

Theorem (Boucksom, PhD 2002)

- For  $k = 1$ , one gets a “divisorial Zariski decomposition”

$$\alpha = \{N(\alpha)\} + \langle \alpha \rangle$$

where :

- $N(\alpha)$  is a uniquely defined effective divisor which is called the “negative divisorial part” of  $\alpha$ . The map  $\alpha \mapsto N(\alpha)$  is homogeneous and subadditive ;
- $\langle \alpha \rangle$  is “nef in codimension 1”.

# Construction of the movable intersection product

First assume that all classes  $\alpha_j$  are big, i.e.  $\alpha_j \in \mathcal{E}^\circ$ . Fix a smooth closed  $(n-k, n-k)$  *semi-positive* form  $u$  on  $X$ . We select Kähler currents  $T_j \in \alpha_j$  with logarithmic poles, and simultaneous **more and more accurate** log-resolutions  $\mu_m : \tilde{X}_m \rightarrow X$  such that

$$\mu_m^* T_j = [E_{j,m}] + \beta_{j,m}.$$

We define

$$\langle \alpha_1 \cdot \alpha_2 \cdots \alpha_k \rangle = \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \uparrow \{ (\mu_m)_* (\beta_{1,m} \wedge \beta_{2,m} \wedge \cdots \wedge \beta_{k,m}) \}$$

as a weakly convergent subsequence. The main point is to show that there is actually convergence and that the **limit is unique in cohomology**; this is based on “monotonicity properties” of the Zariski decomposition.

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## Conjecture (“generalized abundance conjecture”)

For an arbitrary compact Kähler manifold  $X$ , the Kodaira dimension should be equal to the numerical dimension :

$$\kappa(X) = \nu(c_1(K_X)).$$

**Remark.** The generalized abundance conjecture holds true when  $\nu(c_1(K_X)) = -\infty, 0, n$  (cases  $-\infty$  and  $n$  being easy).



## Uniruledness, rational connectedness and $-K_X$ nef

We start by proving an orthogonality estimate, which in its turn identifies the dual of the cone of (pseudo)-effective divisors.

From there, we derive necessary and sufficient conditions for uniruledness and rational connectedness.

We conclude this lecture by presenting examples of compact Kähler manifolds  $X$  such that  $-K_X$  is semipositive or nef.

# Orthogonality estimate

## Theorem

Let  $X$  be a projective manifold. Let  $\alpha = \{T\} \in \mathcal{E}_{\text{NS}}^\circ$  be a big class represented by a Kähler current  $T$ , and consider an approximate Zariski decomposition

$$\mu_m^* T_m = [E_m] + [D_m].$$

Then

$$(D_m^{n-1} \cdot E_m)^2 \leq 20 (C\omega)^n (\text{Vol}(\alpha) - D_m^n)$$

where  $\omega = c_1(H)$  is a Kähler form and  $C \geq 0$  is a constant such that  $\pm\alpha$  is dominated by  $C\omega$  (i.e.,  $C\omega \pm \alpha$  is nef).

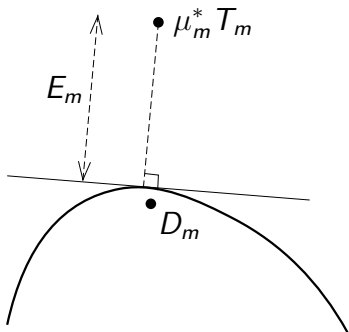
By going to the limit, one gets

## Corollary

$$\alpha \cdot \langle \alpha^{n-1} \rangle - \langle \alpha^n \rangle = 0.$$

# Proof of the orthogonality estimate

The argument for the “almost” orthogonality of the two parts in  $\mu_m^* T_m = E_m + D_m$  is similar to the one used for projections from Hilbert space onto a closed convex set, where the segment to closest point is orthogonal to tangent plane.



# Proof of duality between $\mathcal{E}_{\text{NS}}$ and $\mathcal{M}_{\text{NS}}$

Theorem (Boucksom-Demailly-Păun-Peternell 2004)

For  $X$  projective, a class  $\alpha$  is in  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{NS}}$  (pseudo-effective) if and only if it is dual to the cone  $\mathcal{M}_{\text{NS}}$  of moving curves.

*Proof of the theorem.* We want to show that  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{NS}} = \mathcal{M}_{\text{NS}}^\vee$ . By obvious positivity of the integral pairing, one has in any case

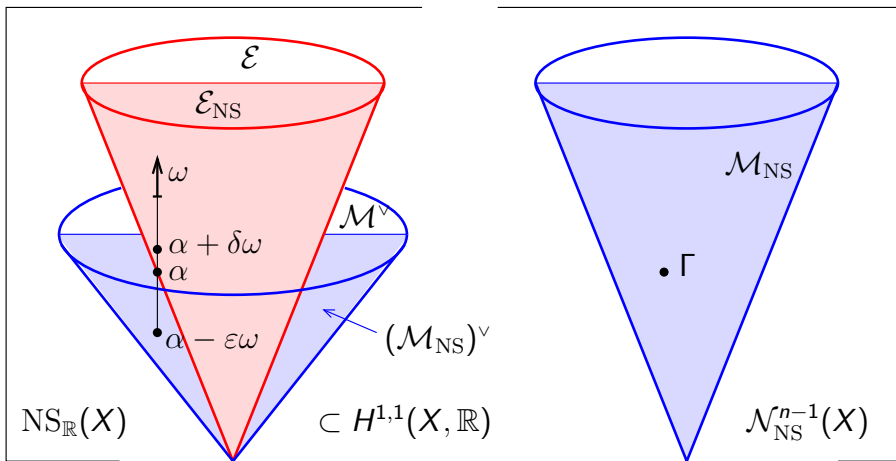
$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{NS}} \subset (\mathcal{M}_{\text{NS}})^\vee.$$

If the inclusion is strict, there is an element  $\alpha \in \partial\mathcal{E}_{\text{NS}}$  on the boundary of  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{NS}}$  which is in the interior of  $\mathcal{M}_{\text{NS}}^\vee$ . Hence

$$(*) \quad \alpha \cdot \Gamma \geq \varepsilon \omega \cdot \Gamma$$

for every moving curve  $\Gamma$ , while  $\langle \alpha^n \rangle = \text{Vol}(\alpha) = 0$ .

# Schematic picture of the proof



Then use approximate Zariski decomposition of  $\{\alpha + \delta\omega\}$  and orthogonality relation to contradict (\*) with  $\Gamma = \langle \alpha^{n-1} \rangle$ .

# Characterization of uniruled varieties

Recall that a projective variety is called **uniruled** if it can be covered by a family of rational curves  $C_t \simeq \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^1$  (the family is assumed to be algebraic, and “covered” means that a Zariski open set of the variety at least is covered).

**Theorem (Boucksom-Demailly-Paun-Peternell 2004)**

A projective manifold  $X$  is **not uniruled** if and only if  $K_X$  is pseudo-effective, i.e.  $K_X \in \mathcal{E}_{\text{NS}}$ .

*Proof (of the non trivial implication).* If  $K_X \notin \mathcal{E}_{\text{NS}}$ , the duality pairing shows that there is a moving curve  $C_t$  such that  $K_X \cdot C_t < 0$ . The standard “**bend-and-break**” lemma of Mori then implies that there is family  $\Gamma_t$  of **rational curves** with  $K_X \cdot \Gamma_t < 0$ , so  $X$  is uniruled.

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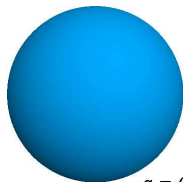
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# Structure of projective/compact Kähler varieties

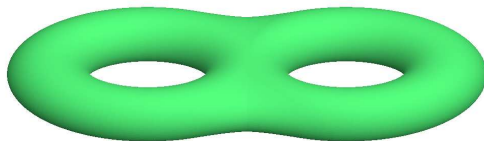
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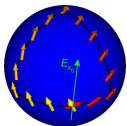
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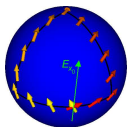
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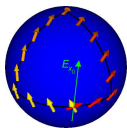


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It is a standard fact that refined HN-filtrations always exist. Bando and Siu have proved that the graded pieces  $G_j := \mathcal{E}_j/\mathcal{E}_{j-1}$  then possess a Hermite-Einstein metric  $h_j$  such that

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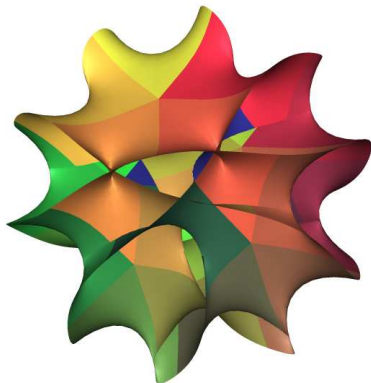
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- According to F. Campana, one should be able to factorize “special subvarieties” of  $Y$  (i.e. essentially the RC, singular Calabi-Yau and hyperkähler subvarieties) to get a morphism  $Y \rightarrow Z$ , along with a ramification divisor  $\Delta \subset Z$  of that morphism, in such a way that the pair  $(Z, \Delta)$  is of general type, i.e.  $K_Z + \Delta$  is big.
- An interesting class of manifolds is the larger class of compact Kähler manifolds such that  $K_X = E - D$ , where  $D$  is a pseudoeffective divisor and  $E$  an effective divisor of numerical dimension 0.

This class is obviously birationally invariant (while the condition  $-K_X$  nef was not !).

One can hopefully expect similar decomposition theorems for varieties in this class. They might possibly include all rationally connected varieties.

**Thank you for your attention!**



A representation of the real points of a quintic Calabi-Yau manifold