

III. The period map

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The local period map

X hyperkähler with symplectic form σ ;

$\mathcal{X} \rightarrow (B, o)$ universal deformation of X : $\mathcal{X}_o \xrightarrow{\sim} X$.

Hodge decomposition $H^2(X, \mathbb{C}) = \mathbb{C}[\sigma] \oplus H^{1,1} \oplus \mathbb{C}[\bar{\sigma}]$, like for K3.

Topologically, locally on B , exists diffeomorphism u

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \times B & \xrightarrow{u} & \mathcal{X} \\ & \searrow & \swarrow \\ & B & \end{array}$$

Choose σ_b symplectic form on \mathcal{X}_b for each b ; period map

$$\wp : B \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(H^2(X, \mathbb{C})) ; \wp(b) := u_b^*[\sigma_b] .$$

Proposition

\wp local isomorphism of B into a quadric in $\mathbb{P}(H^2(X, \mathbb{C}))$.

- Let $\alpha = u_b^* \sigma_b$. Then $\sigma_b^{r+1} = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha^{r+1} = 0$.

- Write $\alpha = a\sigma + \omega + b\bar{\sigma}$, with $\omega \in H^{1,1}(X)$. Then

$$0 = (a\sigma + \omega + b\bar{\sigma})^{r+1} = (r+1)a^r b \sigma^r \bar{\sigma} + \binom{r+1}{2} a^{r-1} \sigma^{r-1} \omega^2 \\ (\in H^{2r,2}) + \text{terms in } H^{p,q}, q \geq 3.$$

- Multiply by $\bar{\sigma}^{r-1}$, and integrate $\rightsquigarrow 0 = (r+1)a^{r-1}q(\alpha)$, with

$$q(\alpha) := ab \int_X (\sigma \bar{\sigma})^r + \frac{r}{2} \int_X \omega^2 (\sigma \bar{\sigma})^{r-1}$$

Thus $\wp(B) \subset Q \subset \mathbb{P}(H^2(X, \mathbb{C}))$, with Q defined by $q = 0$.

- $q(\sigma, \bar{\sigma}) = \frac{1}{2} \int_X (\sigma \bar{\sigma})^r > 0 \Rightarrow Q$ smooth at $[\sigma]$.

- Differential of the period map $\wp : B \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(H^2(X, \mathbb{C}))$:

$$T_o(\wp) : H^1(X, T_X) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}(H^{2,0}, H^{2,0} \oplus H^{1,1})$$

deduced from cup-product

$$\cup : H^1(X, T_X) \otimes H^0(X, \Omega_X^2) \longrightarrow H^1(X, \Omega_X^1) .$$

- Here $H^{2,0} = \mathbb{C}\sigma$, \cup isomorphism $\Rightarrow T_o(\wp)$ isomorphism onto hyperplane of $T_{\wp(o)}(\mathbb{P})$, necessarily $= T_{\wp(o)}(Q)$. ■

The quadratic form

Theorem

- 1 Q is defined by an integral quadratic form $q : H^2(X, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$, non-degenerate, of signature $(3, b_2 - 3)$.
- 2 \wp is a local isomorphism $B \rightarrow \Omega$,
where $\Omega =$ open subset of Q defined by $q(\sigma, \bar{\sigma}) > 0$.
- 3 $\exists f_X \in \mathbb{N}$ (the **Fujiki constant**) such that $\int_X \alpha^{2r} = f_X q(\alpha)^r$.

Corollary

For $\alpha \in H^2(X, \mathbb{C})$, $q(\alpha) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \alpha^{r+1} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \alpha^{2r} = 0$.

Proof of the corollary.

$\alpha^{r+1} = 0$ for α in an open subset of $q = 0$, and therefore for all α with $q(\alpha) = 0$. ■

Explicit formulas for $q(\alpha)$:

- for any $\omega \in H^2(X, \mathbb{C})$ with $\int_X \omega^{2r} = 1$:

$$q(\alpha) = c \left[(2r - 1) \int_X \omega^{2r-2} \alpha^2 - (2r - 2) \left(\int_X \omega^{2r-1} \alpha \right)^2 \right].$$

- For any polynomial $F(c_1, c_2, \dots)$ in $H^*(X, \mathbb{Z})$,

$$c' q(\alpha) = \int_X F(c_1, c_2, \dots) \alpha^2 \quad (\text{Looijenga-Lunts})$$

- $c' \neq 0$ for $F = \sqrt{\text{Todd}(X)}$ (Hitchin-Sawon).

A typical application

Corollary

For b in a dense subset of B , \mathcal{X}_b is projective.

Proof.

- 1 $H^{2,0} \oplus H^{0,2} = L_{\mathbb{C}}$, $L \subset H^2(X, \mathbb{R})$ positive 2-plane.
(L spanned by $\sigma + \bar{\sigma}$ and $i(\sigma - \bar{\sigma})$)
- 2 The line $\mathbb{P}(L_{\mathbb{C}}) \subset \mathbb{P}(H^2(X, \mathbb{C}))$ meet Q at $\sigma, \bar{\sigma}$.
- 3 Choose L' close to L defined over \mathbb{Q} . Then $\mathbb{P}(L'_{\mathbb{C}})$ meet Q at $\sigma', \bar{\sigma}'$, with σ' close to σ .
- 4 $\sigma' = \wp(b)$; in $H^2(\mathcal{X}_b, \mathbb{C})$, $H^{2,0} \oplus H^{0,2}$ is defined over \mathbb{Q} , hence also its orthogonal $H^{1,1}$.
- 5 Any rational class in the Kähler cone is ample (Kodaira). ■

The global period map

Fix a lattice L .


Marked hyperkähler manifold: (X, τ) where $\tau : H^2(X, \mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{\sim} L$

$\mathcal{M}_L := \{\text{iso. classes of } (X, \tau), \dim X = 2r\}$ – complex manifold
(**non-Hausdorff**, see next lecture)

Period domain $\Omega_L = \{[v] \in \mathbb{P}(L_{\mathbb{C}}) \mid v^2 = 0, v \cdot \bar{v} > 0\}$

Period map $\wp : \mathcal{M}_L \rightarrow \Omega_L : \wp(X, \tau) = \tau_{\mathbb{C}}(H^{2,0}) \subset L_{\mathbb{C}}$.

Theorem (Huybrechts)

\wp is surjective. 

For K3, Torelli theorem: $\wp(X, \tau) = \wp(X', \tau') \Rightarrow X \cong X'$.

Does **not** extend to hyperkähler:

EXAMPLE (Namikawa): A abelian surface, $A \not\cong \hat{A}$. Then $K_2(A)$ and $K_2(\hat{A})$ have the same period (for suitable markings)

but they are not birational.