

On the Yau-Tian-Donaldson conjecture

for spherical varieties

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- Plan:
- 1) YTD conjecture
 - 2) Spherical varieties
 - 3) Main results

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2009.06463>

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2011.07135>

1) The Yau-Tian-Donaldson conjecture

algebraic
geometric

$$\left[\exists \text{ cscK in } c_1(L) \iff (X, L) \text{ is K-stable} \right]$$

Central problem in Kähler geometry:

given a compact complex manifold X

$[\omega]$ Kähler class on X

Is there a constant scalar curvature Kähler metric in $[\omega]$?

Recall: ω Kähler form $\iff g(\cdot, \cdot) = \omega(\cdot, J\cdot)$

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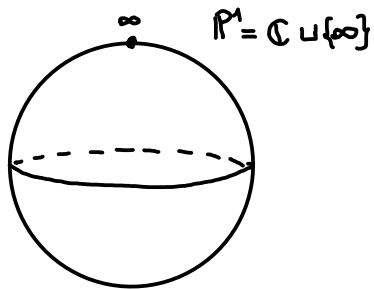
real 2-form on X which can be written, in local

holomorphic coordinates as

$$\omega = \sum_{j, k} \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial z_j \partial \bar{z}_k} i dz_j \wedge d\bar{z}_k \quad \text{=: } i \partial \bar{\partial} \varphi$$

$\varphi: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

positive definite



e.g. Fubini Study metric on \mathbb{P}^n

$$\omega = i\partial\bar{\partial} \ln(1 + |z_1|^2 + \dots + |z_n|^2)$$

on affine chart $[1:z_1:\dots:z_n]$

$$\omega' \in [\omega] \quad \text{if} \quad \omega' - \omega = i\partial\bar{\partial}\psi \quad \psi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

Ricci curvature: $\text{Ric}(\omega)$ global real 2-form defined locally by

$$\text{Ric}(\omega) = i\partial\bar{\partial} \left(-\ln \det \left(\frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial z_j \partial \bar{z}_k} \right) \right)$$

\rightsquigarrow Kähler Einstein metric: $\text{Ric}(\omega) = \lambda\omega$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

e.g. Fubini Study metric

Scalar curvature:
$$S(\omega) = \frac{n \text{Ric}(\omega) \lrcorner \omega^{n-1}}{\omega^n}$$

function $X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

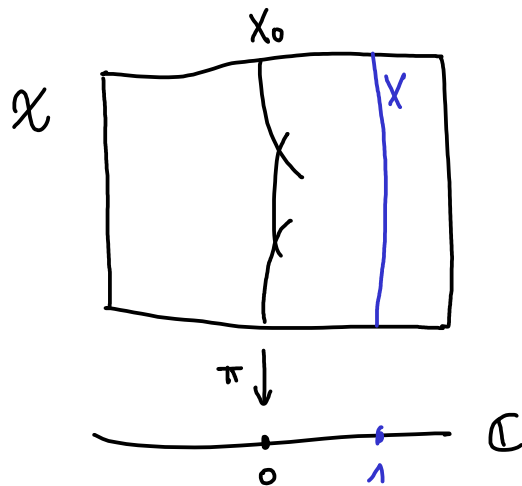
\hookrightarrow cscK metric
$$S(\omega) \equiv n \frac{c_1(X) \cdot [\omega]^{n-1}}{[\omega]^n} \quad \text{cohomological constant.}$$

K-stability

$[\omega] = c_1(L)$ ample line bundle
in part. X is projective.

Test configuration (TC)

(X, \mathcal{L}) flat \mathbb{C}^* -equivariant
family $\pi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ s.t.
 \mathcal{L} π -ample line bundle on X
and $(X_1, \mathcal{L}_1) = \pi^{-1}(1) \cong (X, \mathcal{L}^{\otimes r})$ for some $r \in \mathbb{N}^*$



central fiber (X_0, \mathcal{L}_0) can be non-reduced
equipped with \mathbb{C}^* action have several components

Product TC: when $X_0 \cong X$.

Special TC: when X_0 is normal variety.

Donaldson-Fukaya invariant

$$H^0(X_0, \mathcal{L}_0^k) = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{d_k} \mathbb{C}_{\lambda_{i,k}} \quad \text{as } \mathbb{C}^* \text{ representation}$$

$\lambda_{i,k}$
 weight of the action of \mathbb{C}^* on $\mathbb{C}_{\lambda_{i,k}}$

$$z \cdot s = z^{\lambda_{i,k}} s$$

$$\frac{\sum_i \lambda_{i,k}}{k \, d_k} = F_0 + F_1 k^{-1} + o(k^{-1})$$

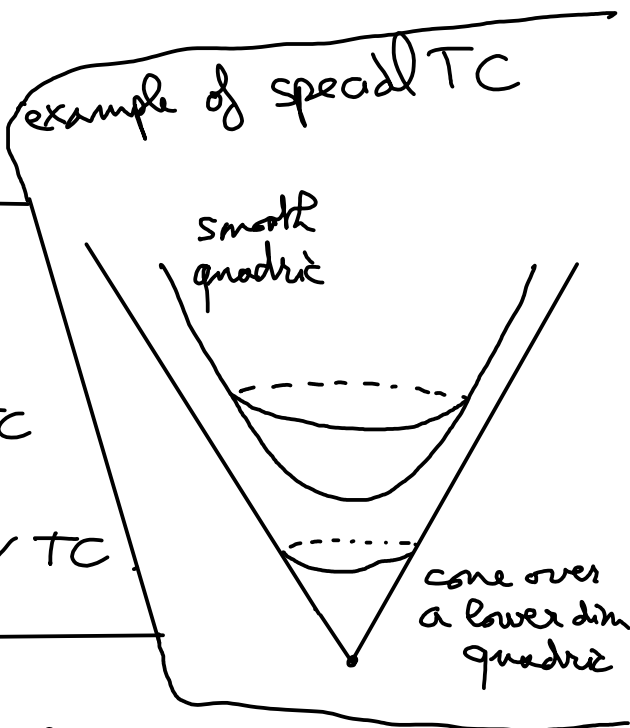
$$DF(X, \mathcal{L}) := -F_1.$$

Defn: (X, L) is K -stable if

$$DF(X, \mathcal{L}) \geq 0 \quad \text{for all TC}$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{iff product TC}$$

Rem: when a group G acts on X , one can consider only G -equivariant test configurations



Best partial results on the YTD conjecture:

i) Fano case

Chen Donaldson Sun ~2015

\exists KE on a Fano mfd $\iff (X, c_1(X))$ is K-stable
wrt special TC

ii) Donaldson 2009: YTD conj holds for K3 surfaces

+ simplification & convex geometric translation
of the K-stability condition.

2) Spherical varieties

a) Toric manifolds

X is toric if it admits an effective holomorphic action of a compact torus $(S^1)^n$ where $n = \dim_{\mathbb{C}} X$.

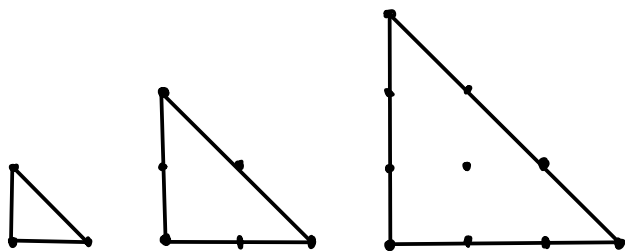
Key property: (X^n, L) polarized toric mfd \Leftrightarrow (Delzant) integral convex polytope Δ in \mathbb{R}^n (up to translation)

+ integral points in $k\Delta$ encode $H^0(X, L^k)$ as a $(S^1)^n$ -representation
 $(\mathbb{C}^*)^n$ -representation

e.g.

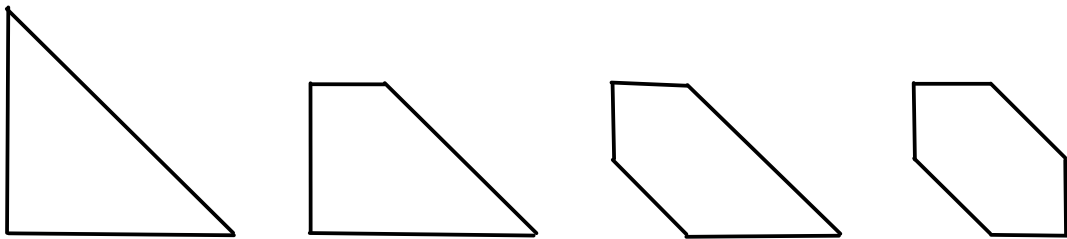
• $\mathbb{C}P^2$

$(S^1)^2$ by choice of a
affine chart



$$H^0(\mathbb{P}^2, \mathcal{O}(k))$$

• can always blow up $\text{codim} \geq 2$ orbits $(\mathbb{C}^+)^n$
from a K3 mfd



Rem: a proj mfd of $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} X = n$
cannot admit an effective action
of $(S^1)^{n+1}$.

b) Cohomogeneity one manifolds

K compact real Lie grp

if $K \curvearrowright X^n$ with orbits of ^{real} dimension $2n$, X is homogeneous

\rightarrow cscK in all Kähler classes

if $K \curvearrowright X^n$ admits at least one orb of real dim $2n-1$

\rightsquigarrow "cohomogeneity one manifold"

\rightarrow Classification by Abiezor / Huckleberry & Snow

$\exists \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ K -equiv blowup str

\tilde{X} is a K -homogeneous bundle over a homogeneous K -mfd with fiber a "primitive" cohomogeneity 1 mfd.

Primitive cases:

- $\mathbb{P}^1 \hookrightarrow S^1$

→ Hirzebruch surfaces
e.g. $\mathbb{P}^1 \times_{\mathbb{Z}/2} \mathbb{P}^1 \hookrightarrow SU(2)$

- $\mathbb{P}^n \times (\mathbb{P}^n)^* \hookrightarrow SU(n+1)$

- \mathbb{Q}^n projective quadric $\hookrightarrow SO(n+1)$

- ...

all almost-homogeneous under the action $K\mathbb{C}$
can have as open orbit all complexified $rk 1$ symmetric
spaces among the primitive cases.

Theorem B

(X, L) homogeneous one is cscK iff
it is K-stable w.r.t its (essentially unique)
equivariant special test configuration.

c) Strategy for the proof

→ Differential geometric approach using Chen-Cheng

→ via uniform K-stability

Chi Li + Yuji Odaka

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"uniform" YTD holds for spherical manifolds

↳ but mfd's, homogeneous + mfd's

Defn:

$X \curvearrowright G$ complex connected reductive group

is spherical if a Borel subgroup $B \subset G$ acts with
an open dense orbit on X .

3) Main results

toric mfd

$$(X^n, L)$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \circlearrowleft \\ \uparrow \\ T = (\mathbb{C}^*)^n \end{array}$$

spherical mfd

$$(X^n, L)$$

\circlearrowleft

G complex reductive group

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T maximal torus

• $\Delta \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ convex polytope
(moment polytope)

• $\mathcal{X}(T) =$ lattice of characters of T
is \mathbb{Z}^n

• $\Delta_+ \subset \mathcal{X}(T) \otimes \mathbb{R}$
of dimension $\pi \leq n$

• M lattice \subset direction (Δ_+)

• \supset valuation cone

\cap
direction $(\Delta_+)^*$

Theorem A

toric

spherical

TC_{\parallel}

piecewise linear rational
convex function f on Δ

$$DF(f) = \int_{\partial\Delta} f d\sigma - 2a \int_{\Delta} f d\mu$$

choose $\kappa \in \Delta_+ \cap M$, set $\Delta = -\kappa + \Delta_+$

piecewise linear rational convex
function f on Δ , with slopes in \rightarrow .

$$\int_{\partial\Delta} f P d\sigma - \int_{\Delta} (aP - Q) f d\mu$$

$$P(x) = \prod_{\alpha \in R^+ - \Delta_+} \frac{\langle \alpha, x + \kappa \rangle}{\langle \alpha, \rho \rangle}$$

Duistermaat-Heckman polynomial

$$Q(x) = d_x P(\rho)$$

$$a > 0 \text{ or } DF(1) = 0.$$

Theorem A

toxic

spherical

K-stable:

$$DF(f) \geq 0 \\ = 0 \text{ iff } f \text{ linear}$$

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uniformly K-stable:

$\exists \varepsilon > 0$ st

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$$DF(f) \geq \varepsilon \inf_{f \text{ linear}} \int_{\Delta} (f+l - \inf(g+l)) d\mu$$

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cohomogeneity one manifold \leftrightarrow spherical with $\dim(\Delta_+) = 1$

$$\Delta = [s_-, s_+] \subset \mathbb{R}$$

$$f: [s_-, s_+] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$DF(f) = f(s_-)P(s_-) + f(s_+)P(s_+) - \int_{s_-}^{s_+} 2f(t)(aP(t) - Q(t))dt$$

Theorem B

$KG(X, L)$ cohomogeneity one admits cscK iff

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} DF(t) = 0 \quad \text{if } 3 \text{ orbits under } K^{\mathbb{C}} \\ DF(t) > 0 \quad \text{if } 2 \text{ orbits under } K^{\mathbb{C}} \end{array} \right.$$

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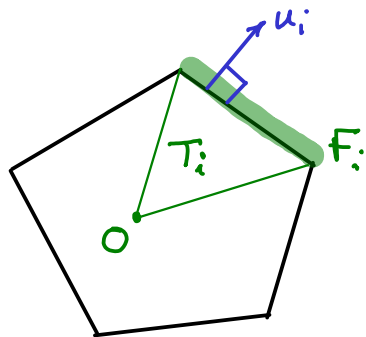
primitive

$$P^* \in \mathbb{C}^*$$

all other cases

A general combinatorial condition

Decompose Δ into pyramids T_i with base the facet F_i vertex the origin 0 .



$$\Delta = \{x \mid u_i(x) \leq n_i\}$$

Theorem C

Assume $\forall i$,

$$\frac{1}{n_i} (d_x P(x) + (r+1)P(x)) + 2Q(x) - 2a P(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in T_i$$

Then (X, L) cscK iff K -stable w.r.t special TC

Why is it useful?

in basic case,

(inspired by Zhan Elm 2008)

all $n_i = 1 \iff \Delta$ reflexive $\iff X$ Fano
and $L = K_X^{-1}$

then $2a = \text{scalar curvature} = n \frac{c_1(X) \cdot c_1(X)^{n-1}}{c_1(X)^n} = n$

thus $\frac{n+1}{n_i} - 2a > 0$

+ this condition is open as the Kähler class varies.

Expectation: condition holds on neighborhood of $c_1(X)$ always

Theorem D: Proof for some families of spherical mfd's