

Algebraic Cycles and Hodge Theory

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1 Introduction

The reader of course need to be familiar with the book [3] including the basic theory and schemes, cohomology, curves and surfaces. We will also use the intersection theory frequently such as the main contents of [2] or [1] and the reader should familiar with these. Finally we will omit the most basic theory of complex Hodge theory, such as the first seven chapters in [5].

We will focus on the final part of the book [6]. There are three topics of Hodge theory in this book but we just discuss the final part of them.

2 Some Background of Mixed Hodge Theory

2.1 Basic Definition and Properties

Definition 2.1. A rational (real) mixed Hodge structure of weight n is given by a \mathbb{Q} -vector space (\mathbb{R} -vector space) H equipped with an increasing filtration $W_i H$ called the *weight filtration*, and a decreasing filtration on $H_{\mathbb{C}} := H \otimes \mathbb{C}$, called the *Hodge filtration* $F^k H_{\mathbb{C}}$. Such that the induced Hodge filtration on each $\text{Gr}_i^W H$ make $\text{Gr}_i^W H$ to be a Hodge structure of weight $n + i$.

These filtrations are required to be bounded. Recall that a morphism $\alpha : (U, F) \rightarrow (V, G)$ is said to be *strict* if $\text{Im} \alpha \cap G^p V = \alpha(F^p U)$. It's easy to show that the morphism of rational pure Hodge structures are strict for Hodge filtration (even in type (r, r) , see [5] Lemma 7.23).

This is an analogue theory of Hodge decomposition of pure Hodge structures:

Lemma 2.2. Let (H, W, F) be a mixed Hodge structure. Then there exists a decomposition

$$H_{\mathbb{C}} = \bigoplus_{p,q} H^{p,q}$$

with $H^{p,q} \subset F^p H_{\mathbb{C}} \cap W_{p+q-n} H_{\mathbb{C}}$, such that via the projection $W_{p+q-n} H_{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \text{Gr}_{p+q-n}^W H_{\mathbb{C}}$, the space $H^{p,q}$ can be identified with

$$H^{p,q}(\text{Gr}_{p+q-n}^W H_{\mathbb{C}}) := F^p \text{Gr}_{p+q-n}^W H_{\mathbb{C}} \cap \overline{F^q \text{Gr}_{p+q-n}^W H_{\mathbb{C}}}.$$

More generally, we have

$$W_i H_{\mathbb{C}} = \bigoplus_{p+q \leq n+i} H^{p,q}, F^i H_{\mathbb{C}} = \bigoplus_{p \geq i} H^{p,q}.$$

This decomposition is preserved by the morphisms of mixed Hodge structures.

Proof. This is pure linear algebra, we omit it and refer [6] Lemma 4.21. □

Remark 2.3. *Unlike the pure case, the decomposition above may satisfies $H^{p,q} \neq \overline{H^{p,q}}$, although this does become true after projection to $\mathrm{Gr}_{p+q}^W H_{\mathbb{C}}$.*

Theorem 2.4 (P. Deligne, 1971). *The morphisms*

$$\alpha : (H, W, F) \rightarrow (H', W', F')$$

of (rational or real) mixed Hodge structures are strict for the filtrations W and F .

Proof. We will only show the statement for W since the statement for H is similar.

Pick $l' \in \alpha(H_{\mathbb{C}}) \cap W_i H'$ and we write $l' = \alpha(l)$ with $l = \sum_{p,q} l^{p,q}$ by Lemma 2.2. As $l' \in W'_i H'_{\mathbb{C}}$, then $\alpha(l^{p,q}) = 0$ for $p+q > n+i$ by Lemma 2.2 again. Hence $l' \in \alpha(W_i H_{\mathbb{C}})$ and well done. \square

2.2 A Classical Example of Mixed Hodge Structure

We consider a smooth complex variety U with a compactification X such that $X \setminus U = D$, a effective normal crossing divisor.

Definition 2.5. *Define a subsheaf $\Omega_X^k(\log D) \subset \Omega_X^k(*D)$ such that $\alpha \in \Gamma(V, \Omega_X^k(\log D))$ if α is a meromorphic differential form on V , holomorphic on $V \setminus D$ and admits a pole of order at most 1 along (each component of) D , and the same holds for $d\alpha$. Hence $d = \partial$ in it and we call the complex $(\Omega_X^*(\log D), \partial)$ the logarithmic de Rham complex .*

Lemma 2.6. *Let z_1, \dots, z_n be local coordinates on an open set $V \subset X$, in which $D \cap V$ is defined by the equation $z_1 \cdots z_r = 0$. Then $\Omega_X^k(\log D)|_V$ is a sheaf of free $\mathcal{O}|_V$ -modules with basis*

$$\frac{dz_{i_1}}{z_{i_1}} \wedge \cdots \wedge \frac{dz_{i_l}}{z_{i_l}} \wedge dz_{j_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge dz_{j_m}$$

where $i_s \leq r$, $j_s > r$ and $l + m = k$. In particular, $\Omega_X^k(\log D)$ is locally free.

Proof. Almost trivial, see [5] Lemma 8.16. \square

Proposition 2.7. *Let inclusion $j : U \hookrightarrow X$, then we have a canonical inclusion $\Omega_X^k(\log D) \subset j_* \Omega_U^k \subset j_* \mathcal{A}_U^k$ which give us a morphism of complex*

$$\Omega_X^*(\log D) \rightarrow j_* \mathcal{A}_U^*.$$

Then this is a quasi-isomorphism. In particular we have

$$H^k(U, \mathbb{C}) \cong \mathbb{H}^k(X, \Omega_X^*(\log D)).$$

Proof. This is not hard to see and we refer [5] Proposition 8.18. From this we have $\mathbb{H}^k(X, \Omega_X^*(\log D)) \cong \mathbb{H}^k(X, j_* \mathcal{A}_U^*)$. As \mathcal{A}_U^* is a sheaf of \mathcal{C}_U^∞ -modules which is a resolution of \mathbb{C}_U , then $j_* \mathcal{A}_U^*$ is a sheaf of \mathcal{C}_X^∞ -modules, so it is acyclic and

$$\mathbb{H}^k(X, j_* \mathcal{A}_U^*) \cong H^k \Gamma(X, j_* \mathcal{A}_U^*) = H^k \Gamma(U, \mathcal{A}_U^*) = H^k(U, \mathbb{C}).$$

Hence we get the result. \square

For now we will give $H^k(U, \mathbb{Q})$ (or $H^k(U, \mathbb{R})$) a mixed Hodge structure. First we will give two filtrations over $\Omega_X^*(\log D)$.

We define the Hodge filtration over $\Omega_X^*(\log D)$ to be

$$F^p \Omega_X^*(\log D) = \Omega_X^{\geq p}(\log D).$$

For weight filtration, we define $W_l \Omega_X^*(\log D)$ to be

$$W_l \Omega_X^*(\log D) = \begin{cases} \bigwedge^l \Omega_X^1(\log D) \wedge \Omega_X^{*-l}, & 0 \leq l \leq r, \\ 0, & l > r. \end{cases}$$

(We often let $W^k := W_{-k}$)

Now for simplicity, we let the divisor D is simply normal crossing with $D = \bigcup_i D_i$ where each $D_i \subset X$ is a smooth hypersurface, and the intersection of any l hypersurfaces D_{i_1}, \dots, D_{i_l} is transverse. We equip I with a total order. We let

$$D^{(k)} := \coprod_{K \subset I, |K|=k} D_K = \coprod_{K \subset I, |K|=k} \bigcap_{i \in K} D_i$$

with inclusions $j_k : D^{(k)} \rightarrow X$ and $j_M : D_M \rightarrow X$.

Proposition 2.8. *There exists a natural isomorphism*

$$W_k \Omega_X^*(\log D) / W_{k-1} \Omega_X^*(\log D) \cong j_{k,*} \Omega_{D^{(k)}}^{*-k}.$$

Proof. This morphism defined by Poincaré residue map. Give a local coordinates in $V \subset X$ we define $\text{Res}^V : \Gamma(V, W_k \Omega_X^*(\log D)) \rightarrow \Gamma(V, j_{k,*} \Omega_{D^{(k)}}^{*-k})$ as

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= \sum_{K \subset \{1, \dots, r\} \subset I, |K| \leq k} \alpha_{K,L} dz_L \wedge \frac{dz_K}{z_K} \\ \mapsto (\text{Res}^V \alpha)_M &= \left((2\pi\sqrt{-1})^k \sum_L \alpha_{M,L} dz_L|_{D_M \cap V} \right)_M. \end{aligned}$$

Note that this annihilates the sections of $W_{k-1} \Omega_X^*(\log D)$ and change coordinates only change the elements in $W_{k-1} \Omega_X^*(\log D)$, Hence we get a well-defined residue map:

$$\alpha : W_k \Omega_X^*(\log D) / W_{k-1} \Omega_X^*(\log D) \cong j_{k,*} \Omega_{D^{(k)}}^{*-k}.$$

This is an isomorphism is easy to see. We refer [5] Proposition 8.32. \square

Now these two filtrations induce two filtrations over $R\Gamma(X, \Omega_X^*(\log D))$, and hence over $H^k(U, \mathbb{C})$ by Proposition 2.7. So the arguments in [5] is far from complete and we need some derived-version filtration of these, such as mixed Hodge complex. We omitted this and we refer section 3.3 in [4].

Theorem 2.9 (P. Deligne, 1971). *The discussion above equip $H^k(U, \mathbb{C})$ a mixed Hodge structure which is independent with X, D .*

Proof. This follows from some analysis of the weight spectral sequence (induced by $W^* = W_{-*}$), here we give a sketch.

By the general theory of spectral sequence, we have

$${}_WE_1^{p,q} = \mathbb{H}^{p+q}(X, \mathrm{Gr}_W^p \Omega_X^*(\log D)).$$

By Proposition 2.8 we have $\mathrm{Gr}_W^p \Omega_X^*(\log D) \cong j_{-p,*} \Omega_{D^{(-p)}}^{*+p}$, hence

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{H}^{p+q}(X, \mathrm{Gr}_W^p \Omega_X^*(\log D)) &= \mathbb{H}^{2p+q}(X, j_{-p,*} \Omega_{D^{(-p)}}^{*+p}) \\ &= \mathbb{H}^{2p+q}(D^{(-p)}, \Omega_{D^{(-p)}}^*) = H^{2p+q}(D^{(-p)}, \mathbb{C}). \end{aligned}$$

We can also get that the differential

$$\begin{array}{ccc} d_1 : & H^{2p+q}(D^{(-p)}, \mathbb{C}) & \longrightarrow H^{2p+q+2}(D^{(-p-1)}, \mathbb{C}) \\ & \downarrow \cong & \downarrow \cong \\ & \bigoplus_{|K|=-p} H^{2p+q}(D_K, \mathbb{C}) & \longrightarrow \bigoplus_{|L|=-p-1} H^{2p+q+2}(D_L, \mathbb{C}) \end{array}$$

has component $d_{1,K}^L$ equal to zero for $L \not\subseteq K$, and equal to $(-1)^{q+s} j_{K,*}^L$ when $K = \{i_1 < \dots < i_p\}$ and $L = K \setminus \{i_s\}$ where $j_K^L : D_K \rightarrow D_L$ (see Proposition 8.34 in [5]). Hence we can deduce any pages of weight spectral sequence! By some analysis we can get the result which omitted, we refer Theorem 3.4.7 and section 3.4.1.5 in [4]. \square

3 Cycle Classes and Abel–Jacobi Map

3.1 Cycle Classes and Hodge Classes

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