

MA 725 - DIFFERENTIAL GEOMETRY, I  
FINAL EXAM

**Problem 1.** Suppose that  $(V, \langle -, - \rangle)$  is a  $2n$ -dimensional Euclidean vector space equipped with a compatible complex structure  $J$  and denote  $\omega \in \wedge^2 V^*$  its fundamental (Kähler) form. Let  $L: \wedge^\bullet V^* \rightarrow \wedge^\bullet V^*[2]$  be the Lefschetz operator,  $L\alpha = \omega \wedge \alpha$ , and let  $\Lambda: \wedge^\bullet V^* \rightarrow \wedge^\bullet V^*[-2]$  be the dual Lefschetz operator defined by the condition  $\langle \Lambda\alpha, \beta \rangle = \langle \alpha, L\beta \rangle$ .

Show that as degree zero endomorphisms of  $\wedge^\bullet V^*$  one has the equality

$$(1) \quad H \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} L \circ \Lambda - \Lambda \circ L = \sum_{k=0}^{2n} (k - n) \pi^k$$

where  $\pi^k$  is projection onto  $\wedge^k V^*$ . In other words,  $[L, \Lambda]$  acts diagonally with eigenvalue  $(k - n)$  on  $\wedge^k V^*$ .

Together,  $\{L, \Lambda, H\}$  form a representation of  $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$  on  $\wedge^\bullet V^*$ . Can a compact, simply connected six-manifold with  $\chi = 7$  be equipped with a Kähler metric?

Suppose that  $M$  is a compact, four-dimensional complex manifold with  $\dim H^{1,1} > \dim H^{2,2}$ ? Can  $M$  be equipped with a compatible Kähler metric?

**Problem 2.** Prove that all spheres are formal.

Show that any Hopf surface  $(\mathbf{C}^2 \setminus 0)/(q^{\mathbf{Z}})$  is formal.

Produce a minimal model for  $\mathbf{CP}^n$ .

Describe the Hopf fibration  $S^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{CP}^1$  at the level of their minimal models.

**Problem 3.** Let  $M$  be a compact Kähler manifold. Suppose that  $\alpha \in \Omega^{1,1}(M)$  is a d-closed  $(1,1)$  form which is primitive  $\Lambda(\alpha) = 0$ . Show that  $\Delta\alpha = 0$ .

Prove that the Kähler form  $\omega$  satisfies  $\Delta\omega = 0$ .

Show that if  $\omega'$  is another Kähler form on  $M$  with  $[\omega] = [\omega'] \in H^2(M, \mathbf{R})$  that there exists a real function  $f \in C^\infty(M)$  such that  $\omega' = \omega + i\partial\bar{\partial}f$ .