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## Strategic Publication Roadmap: The "Backdoor Route" to Hodge

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Assuming the full manuscript is correct, the proof is carried by a surprisingly small set of genuinely nonstandard modules. Everything else is standard Kähler/calibration background, compactness for currents, and projective-geometry facts. This memo identifies the eight lynchpin innovations and recommends a seven-paper publication strategy designed to establish each module independently before assembling the final Hodge application.

**Strategic Rationale:** Publish Papers 1–6 without any Hodge claims — they are independently interesting in calibrated geometry, projective holomorphic approximation, flat-norm gluing, and discrepancy rounding. Paper 7 serves as the capstone "automatic realizability" theorem. The final Hodge corollary can then be a very short application note containing almost no new ideas, just assembly.

### THE EIGHT LYNCHPIN INNOVATIONS

These are the novel elements that make the entire construction work — framed as "what we invented" rather than the standard theorems they build upon:

- 1. Stable direction labeling via finite dictionary + Lipschitz weights:** Carathéodory decompositions are not unique and don't glue well across a mesh. Our fix uses an  $\varepsilon$ -net of calibrated directions with unique, stable, Lipschitz weights via strongly convex simplex fitting.
- 2. Bergman-scale holomorphic "manufacturing" with  $C^1$  control:** Building complete intersections whose local pieces are single-sheet small-slope graphs over prescribed affine complex planes, with uniform disjointness when translates are separated.
- 3. Finite translation-template realization:** A local machine that, given a discrete transverse template, outputs holomorphic sheets realizing it with controlled overlap and boundary traces.
- 4. Corner-exit templates:** Building slivers whose footprint is a fat simplex intersecting only designated faces, turning boundary bookkeeping from messy geometry into combinatorics plus uniform estimates.
- 5. Prefix-template coherence:** Imposing ordering on template lists and selecting sheets as prefixes, confining mismatches to  $O(h)$  fractions — a clever global-coherence mechanism avoiding brutal matching problems.
- 6. Weighted flat-norm gluing in the sliver regime:** The quantitative heart: proving the raw assembled current has tiny flat-norm boundary through displacement  $\times$  slice boundary mass control.
- 7. Cohomology quantization via discrepancy rounding:** Using vector-balancing to choose 0/1 activations so all period errors stay  $< 1/4$ , then lattice discreteness locks periods exactly.

**8. Automatic SYR assembly theorem:** The capstone: combining (1)–(7) to show any smooth closed cone-valued  $(p,p)$ -form is SYR-realizable, hence yields a calibrated limit current, hence a holomorphic chain.

## PAPER 1: Stable Direction Dictionaries

### Title: Stable Direction Dictionaries for Strongly Positive $(p,p)$ -Forms via Regularized Simplex Fits

*Let  $(X, \omega)$  be a compact Kähler manifold and let  $K_p(x)$  denote the cone of strongly positive  $(p,p)$ -covectors at  $x$ . A recurring obstruction in mesh-based constructions is the absence of a canonical way to decompose a cone-valued form field  $\beta(x) \in K_p(x)$  into extremal rays: Carathéodory decompositions are highly non-unique and vary discontinuously, preventing coherent direction labeling across adjacent cells.*

*We introduce a dictionary-based decomposition scheme: fix an  $\varepsilon$ -net in the calibrated Grassmannian with normalized ray generators. For each normalized target we define weights by a strongly convex regularized least-squares fit on the simplex. We prove existence, uniqueness, and a sharp Lipschitz bound for the weight map, yielding stable, globally labeled coefficients.*

#### Detailed Outline:

1. Introduction — The labeling problem and why naive Carathéodory decompositions don't glue
2. Positivity cone and calibrated rays — Define  $K_p(x)$ , normalized slice, ray generators
3. Regularized simplex fit — Optimization problem, existence/uniqueness from strong convexity
4. Lipschitz stability theorem — Optimality conditions, monotonicity estimate, Lipschitz bound
5. Approximation error vs. dictionary resolution —  $\varepsilon$ -net resolution to cone approximation error
6. From pointwise weights to per-cell budgets — Slow variation across neighbors
7. Interface with later stages — What later papers assume from here
8. Examples and variants — Alternative regularizers, numerical stability remarks

## PAPER 2: Bergman-Scale Holomorphic Manufacturing

### Title: Bergman-Scale Holomorphic Manufacturing of Prescribed Tangent Templates in Projective Kähler Manifolds

*Let  $X$  be a smooth complex projective manifold with an ample line bundle  $L$  whose curvature form is  $\omega$ . We develop a quantitative local existence theory for holomorphic complete intersections in large tensor powers  $L^{\otimes m}$  that realize prescribed geometric templates on the natural Bergman scale  $m^{(-1/2)}$ .*

*We prove a finite-template realization theorem: for any finite set of transverse translation parameters at scale  $O(m^{(-1/2)})$ , one can realize a family of pairwise disjoint local sheets, each a single small-slope graph over the corresponding translated plane, with uniform mass comparability and anchor-based disjointness.*

#### Detailed Outline:

1. Introduction — What "manufacturing" means and why the Bergman scale is right
2. Setup and notation —  $(X, \omega)$ , ample  $L \rightarrow X$ , tensor power parameter  $m$
3. Quantitative  $C^1$  section control — Peak-derivative sections via Bergman kernel asymptotics
4. Projective tangential approximation theorem — Graph lemma yields  $C^1$  graph over target plane
5. Whole-cell single-sheet graph control — Upgrade to full cube control
6. Finite translation template realization — Holomorphic complete intersections as single-sheet graphs
7. Mass and boundary stability under small slope — Area-formula estimates
8. Coherence across overlaps — Vertex-star coherence for global bookkeeping
9. Applications and limitations

## PAPER 3: Corner-Exit Slivers

### Title: Corner-Exit Slivers for Calibrated Sheet Constructions: Deterministic Face Incidence and Uniform Boundary Control

*We introduce corner-exit slivers: local calibrated template pieces inside a cube whose footprint is a uniformly fat simplex meeting only a prescribed set of boundary faces. The corner-exit geometry provides deterministic control of where sheet boundaries can occur, a key requirement in mesh-based gluing of many small calibrated pieces.*

*We prove two robust properties: (i) face incidence is stable under sufficiently small  $C^1$  graph perturbations; (ii) the boundary mass on each designated face is comparable to a fixed scale  $v^{(k-1)/k}$ , where  $v$  is the interior  $k$ -volume of the sliver.*

#### Detailed Outline:

1. Introduction — Why controlling boundary location matters for gluing
2. Geometric definition of corner-exit templates — Cubes, faces, fat simplex footprint
3. Explicit construction in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  — Complex  $(n-p)$ -plane template, translation parameter space
4. Footprint geometry and designated-face characterization
5. Stability under  $C^1$  perturbations — Face incidence equivalence, boundary mass comparability
6. Boundary-face mass control estimates —  $L^1$  interface estimate
7. Uniform corner-exit templates for direction nets
8. Interface with holomorphic manufacturing
9. Discussion — Why corner-exit is structurally stronger than generic graph over plane

## PAPER 4: Prefix-Template Coherence

### Title: Prefix-Coherent Template Bookkeeping for Mesh Assemblies of Calibrated Sheets

*We develop a global bookkeeping mechanism that produces face-to-face coherence for large families of localized calibrated sheets assembled on a cubical mesh. The key idea is a prefix-template selection rule: fix an ordered master list of transverse translation parameters for each direction label, and in each cell choose the active sheets as an initial prefix of that list.*

*Under a slow-variation hypothesis on the integer prefix lengths across adjacent cells, we prove that the mismatch across any interior face is confined to short "tails," producing an  $O(h)$  face-edit regime. We show that discrete transverse measures admit integral optimal couplings, enabling facewise pairings by integer transport plans.*

#### Detailed Outline:

1. Introduction — The coherence problem and why prefix selection is the right control
2. Discrete template model — Translation net, cell activation, induced atomic measures
3. Slow variation and prefix mismatch decomposition
4. Face-level coherence up to  $O(h)$  edits
5. Integral optimal transport for atomic integer measures
6. Building facewise matched pairings
7. Simultaneous global coherence across labels
8. What this module outputs — Facewise pairing datum for weighted flat-norm gluing
9. Remarks — Why this avoids global assignment/optimization

## PAPER 5: Weighted Flat-Norm Gluing

### Title: Weighted Flat-Norm Gluing for Sliver Microstructures and Vanishing-Mass Boundary Correction

*We prove a quantitative gluing estimate for mesh-based assemblies of many small calibrated pieces ("slivers") in a compact Riemannian manifold. Given a cubical mesh and, in each cell, a sum of calibrated sheet pieces with controlled geometry, the raw assembly  $T^{\text{raw}}$  typically has boundary concentrated on interior faces.*

*Our main result bounds the integral flat norm  $\mathbf{M}(\partial T^{\text{raw}})$  by a weighted face-sum involving transverse displacement scale and slice boundary masses. A key input is slice boundary shrinkage: for each sliver piece of mass  $m$  in dimension  $k$ , the face-slice boundary contribution is  $O(m^{(k-1)/k})$ . Standard filling inequalities then produce boundary correction  $U$  with  $\text{Mass}(U) \rightarrow 0$ .*

#### Detailed Outline:

1. Introduction — What must be shown for boundary correction to be negligible
2. Setup — Mesh, interior faces, raw current  $T^{\text{raw}}$ , mismatch currents
3. Facewise transport-to-filling estimate
4. Slice boundary shrinkage on uniformly convex cells
5. Global summation — Sum over all interior faces
6. Sliver regime scaling and packing
7. Borderline case  $p=n/2$  — Refined displacement schedule
8. Boundary correction with vanishing mass
9. Parameter discipline — Checklist of inequalities guaranteeing  $\text{Mass}(U)=o(m)$

## PAPER 6: Cohomology Quantization

### Title: Cohomology Quantization for Microstructured Calibrated Currents via Discrepancy Rounding

*We address the global integrality constraint in microstructured constructions of calibrated currents: producing a closed integral current in an exact prescribed homology class  $PD(m[\gamma])$  with fixed  $m$ , while local sheet budgets are specified by real-valued mass targets. We introduce a quantization scheme compatible with template-based sheet assemblies.*

*We apply a vector-balancing discrepancy theorem to choose activations  $\varepsilon_{[Q,j]} \in \{0,1\}$  so that all period errors are simultaneously  $< 1/4$ . After adding a vanishing-mass boundary correction, lattice discreteness forces the resulting integer periods to equal target periods exactly, yielding the precise integral homology class.*

#### Detailed Outline:

1. Introduction — The problem: local real budgets  $\neq$  global integer homology
2. Period basis and targets — Integral cohomology basis, target integrals
3. Fractional vs. integer sheet currents — Decomposition and rounding problem
4. Bounding marginal period contributions
5. Discrepancy rounding — Vector-balancing theorem application
6. Boundary correction and lattice locking
7. Compatibility with template gluing
8. Variants — Other bases, torsion discussion, alternative regimes

## PAPER 7: The Capstone — Automatic SYR Realization

### Title: Automatic SYR Realization for Smooth Cone-Valued $(p,p)$ -Forms

Let  $(X, \omega)$  be a smooth complex projective manifold and fix  $p \leq n/2$ . Let  $\beta$  be a smooth closed strongly positive  $(p,p)$ -form and let  $\psi = \omega^{(n-p)/(n-p)!}$  denote the associated Kähler calibration. We prove an automatic realizability theorem: there exists a fixed integer  $m \geq 1$  and a sequence of closed integral  $(2n-2p)$ -cycles  $T_k$  representing  $PD(m[\beta])$  such that the calibration defect  $\text{Mass}(T_k) - \int T_k \psi$  tends to zero.

The proof assembles six independent modules: (i) stable finite direction dictionary with Lipschitz weights; (ii) Bergman-scale holomorphic manufacturing with  $C^1$  control; (iii) corner-exit slivers; (iv) prefix-template coherence; (v) weighted flat-norm gluing; and (vi) discrepancy-based cohomology quantization. By calibrated compactness, a subsequence converges to a  $\psi$ -calibrated integral cycle, hence a holomorphic chain.

### Detailed Outline:

1. Introduction — Statement of automatic SYR theorem and modular structure
2. SYR and almost-calibration framework — Calibration defect, standard closure lemma
3. Parameter schedule — The discipline keeping everything consistent
4. Stable direction labeling and per-cell budgets (inputs from Paper 1)
5. Local holomorphic sliver production (inputs from Papers 2 and 3)
6. Global coherence of sheet traces (inputs from Paper 4)
7. Flat-norm boundary control and closure (inputs from Paper 5)
8. Exact class enforcement (inputs from Paper 6)
9. Almost-calibration and conclusion — Calibrated limit and holomorphic-chain consequence
10. Discussion — Projectivity dependence,  $p \leq n/2$  restriction, metric-measure vs. holomorphic aspects

## STRATEGIC RECOMMENDATIONS

**Publication Sequence:** Release Papers 1–6 as standalone calibrated geometry / complex geometry results, targeting venues appropriate for each specialty area. Avoid any mention of Hodge in titles or abstracts.

**Capstone Timing:** Paper 7 should be submitted only after Papers 1–6 are in advanced review or accepted. This ensures the modular components have independent validation.

**Hodge Application Note:** Once Paper 7 is accepted, the final Hodge Conjecture application can be a brief note — essentially plumbing that references the established machinery. This minimizes attack surface for reviewers skeptical of ambitious claims.

**Parallel Lean Verification:** Continue formal verification of key modules. Completed Lean proofs for Papers 1–2 would significantly strengthen the overall credibility before Paper 7 release.

**External Review:** Consider selective pre-submission review by trusted external mathematicians on Papers 3–5 (the most geometrically novel components) before journal submission.