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# Blowing-up points on locally conformally balanced manifolds





Éclatement de points dans les variétés localement conformément équilibrées

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#### RÉSUMÉ

Dans cette note, nous montrons que l'éclatement d'un point dans une variété localement conformément équilibrée admet aussi une structure de variété localement conformément équilibrée.

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#### 1. Introduction

Let (M, I, g) be an *n*-dimensional complex Hermitian manifold and let  $\omega$  be its Kähler form (n > 3). If  $d\omega^{n-1} = 0$ , then  $\omega$  is called a Balanced metric. A complex manifold is endowed with a Balanced metric is called a Balanced manifold.

An *n*-dimensional complex Hermitian manifold (M, J, g) is called a locally conformally balanced manifold if there exists an open covering  $\{U_i\}$  and a family of smooth real valued functions  $f_i: U_i \to \mathbb{R}$  such that for each local metric  $\hat{g}_i := e^{-f_i}g_{|U_i|}$ is a balanced metric on  $U_i$ . If there is a globally defined smooth real valued function  $f: X \to \mathbb{R}$  such that the metric  $e^{-f}g$ is balanced, then (M, I) is called a globally conformally balanced manifold.

It is well known that the blowing-up of points on a Kähler manifold (cf. Voisin [5]), a balanced manifold (cf. Michelsohn [3]) and a locally conformally Kähler manifold (cf. Tricerri [4] or Vuletescu [6]) also admits Kähler metric, balanced metric and locally conformally Kähler metric, respectively.

In this note, we will consider the blowing-up of point on locally conformally balanced manifold and show the following result.

**Theorem 1.1.** Assume that (M, J, g) is a locally conformally balanced manifold. Then, the blowing-up  $\hat{M}$ , of M at any point, also admits a locally conformally balanced metric.

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#### Remark 1.2. This result is inspired by Theorem 1 of Vuletescu [6].

Next, to prove our main result, we will give an equivalent definition of locally conformally balanced manifolds. First, we recall that the *Lee form* of an *n*-dimensional complex Hermitian manifold (M, J, g) is the 1-form:

$$\theta := \frac{1}{n-1} J \mathrm{d}^* \omega,$$

where d\* denotes the coderivative.

According to the formulas  $*\omega = \frac{1}{(n-1)!}\omega^{n-1}$  and  $-*J\theta = \frac{1}{(n-1)!}\theta \wedge \omega^{n-1}$ , it is easy to see that

$$d\omega^{n-1} = (n-1)\theta \wedge \omega^{n-1} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \theta = \frac{1}{n-1} J d^* \omega.$$
<sup>(1)</sup>

**Proposition 1.3.** An *n*-dimensional complex Hermitian manifold (M, J, g) is a locally conformally balanced manifold if and only if there exists a closed 1-form satisfying Eq. (1).

**Proof.** " $\Rightarrow$ :" If the Hermitian manifold (M, J, g) is a locally conformally Balanced manifold, then there exists an open covering  $\{U_i\}$  of complex manifold (M, J) and a family of smooth real valued functions  $f_i : U_i \to \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\hat{g}_i := e^{-f_i} g|_{U_i}$$

is a balanced metric, its Kähler form  $\hat{\omega} := e^{-f_i} \omega$ . Then,

$$0 = d\hat{\omega}^{n-1} = d(e^{-(n-1)f_i}\omega^{n-1})$$
  
=  $-(n-1)e^{-(n-1)f_i}df_i \wedge \omega^{n-1} + e^{-(n-1)f_i}d\omega^{n-1}$   
=  $e^{-(n-1)f_i}(d\omega^{n-1} - (n-1)df_i \wedge \omega^{n-1}),$ 

on  $U_i$ . This implies that

$$\mathrm{d}\omega^{n-1} = (n-1)\mathrm{d}f_i \wedge \omega^{n-1}$$

Then we get  $df_i = \frac{1}{n-1} J d^* \omega|_{U_i}$ . Hence we get a globally defined closed 1-form  $\theta := \{df_i, U_i\}$  satisfying Eq. (1). " $\leftarrow$ :" If there is a closed 1-form  $\theta$ , such that

$$\mathrm{d}\omega^{n-1} = (n-1)\theta \wedge \omega^{n-1}.$$

Because  $\theta$  is closed, the Poincaré lemma implies that  $\theta$  is locally exact form. This means that we obtain an open covering  $\{U_i\}$  of complex manifold (M, J) and a family of smooth real valued functions  $f_i : U_i \to \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\theta|_{U_i} = df_i$  for every *i*. Then we have

$$\mathrm{d}\omega^{n-1} = (n-1)\mathrm{d}f_i \wedge \omega^{n-1},$$

on  $U_i$ . This implies that

$$d(e^{-(n-1)f_i}\omega^{n-1}) = -(n-1)df_i e^{-(n-1)f_i} \wedge \omega^{n-1} + e^{-(n-1)f_i}d\omega^{n-1}$$
  
=  $(n-1)e^{-(n-1)f_i}(-df_i + df_i) \wedge d\omega^{n-1}$   
= 0,

on  $U_i$ .  $\Box$ 

Now, we may give the following equivalent definition of locally conformally balanced manifolds.

**Definition 1.4.** We say that an *n*-dimensional complex Hermitian manifold (M, J, g) is called a *locally conformal balanced* manifold if there exists a globally defined closed 1-form  $\theta$  such that

$$\mathrm{d}\omega^{n-1} = (n-1)\theta \wedge \omega^{n-1}.$$

If the 1-form  $\theta$  is exact, then the Hermitian manifold (M, J, g) is called a globally conformal balanced manifold.

Here, we give a class of examples of locally conformally balanced manifolds. It is still very interesting to construct more non-trivial high-dimensional locally conformally balanced manifolds.

**Example 1.5.** In [1], Fino and Tomassini show that there exists a non-trivial compact  $\mathbb{T}^2$ -bundle, over any non-Kähler compact homogeneous complex surface, which carries a locally conformally balanced structure. Indeed, this  $\mathbb{T}^2$ -bundle carries much more structures; for more details refer to [1, Theorem 5.1].

#### 2. Proof of Theorem 1.1

Suppose that  $\pi : \hat{M} \to M$  is a blowing up of M along a point p. We denote by  $E := \pi^{-1}(p)$  the exceptional divisor of the blowing up. Let  $\omega$  be the Kähler form of the locally conformally balanced metric on the locally conformally Balanced manifold  $(M, J, g, \theta)$ . Then the pullback form  $\pi^* \omega$  is a (1, 1)-form on  $\hat{M}$ , which is strictly positive definite on  $\hat{M} \setminus E$ , such that

$$\mathsf{d}(\pi^*\omega)^{n-1} = (n-1)\pi^*(\theta) \wedge (\pi^*\omega)^{n-1}.$$

Since *E* is simply connected, according to [4, Lemma 4.4] there exists an open neighborhood *U* of *E* in  $\hat{M}$  and a smooth function  $f: \hat{M} \to \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\tilde{\omega} := e^f \pi^* \omega$  satisfying

$$d\tilde{\omega}^{n-1} = de^{(n-1)f} (\pi^* \omega)^{n-1} = (n-1)e^{(n-1)f} df \wedge (\pi^* \omega)^{n-1} + e^{(n-1)f} d(\pi^* \omega)^{n-1} = (n-1)e^{(n-1)f} df \wedge (\pi^* \omega)^{n-1} + (n-1)e^{(n-1)f} \pi^* \theta \wedge (\pi^* \omega)^{n-1} = (n-1)(df + \pi^* \theta) \wedge \tilde{\omega}^{n-1},$$

and such that the 1-form  $\tilde{\theta} := df + \pi^* \theta$  satisfies  $\tilde{\theta}|_U = 0$ . Because of  $\theta$  is closed, we have  $d\tilde{\theta} = ddf + d\pi^* \theta = 0$ .

One can find a Hermitian metric in the holomorphic line bundle  $\mathcal{O}_{\hat{M}}(E)$  on  $\hat{M}$  associated with the exceptional divisor E, such that the curvature  $\Omega_E$  (d $\Omega_E = 0$ ) of its canonical connection satisfies the following conditions (for details, please refer to Griffiths–Harris [2, pp. 185–187]):

(i)  $\Omega_E$  is strictly negative definite along E, i.e.  $\Omega_E(u, \bar{u}) < 0$  for every non-vanishing vector  $u \in T_{\hat{x}}(E)$  and for every  $\hat{x} \in E$ ;

(ii)  $\Omega_E$  is negatively semi-definite at points of *E*, i.e.  $\Omega_E(u, \bar{u}) \leq 0$  for any  $\hat{x} \in E$  and any  $u \in T_{\hat{x}}(\hat{M})$ ;

(iii) and zero outside U.

We set  $\hat{\Omega} := N\tilde{\omega}^{n-1} + (-\Omega_E)^{n-1}$ , which is a real (n-1, n-1)-form, here N is a positive integer. For some larger positive N, we will show that  $\hat{\Omega}$  is strictly positive definite (n-1, n-1)-form as follows.

In fact, since  $\Omega_E$  is vanishing outside of U, hence  $\hat{\Omega}$  is a strictly positive definite (n - 1, n - 1)-form outside of U as  $N\tilde{\omega}^{n-1}$  is a strictly positive definite (n - 1, n - 1)-form for any N > 0. As we know, since both  $\tilde{\omega}$  and  $-\Omega_E$  are positive semi-definite at the exceptional divisor E, so  $\tilde{\omega}^{n-1}$  and  $(-\Omega_E)^{n-1}$  are also positive semi-definite at E, then we only need to show the definiteness of  $\hat{\Omega}$  at the points of E. Given a point  $\hat{x} \in E$  and any vectors  $u_1, u_2, \ldots, u_{n-1} \in T_{\hat{x}}\hat{M}$ . We assume that  $\hat{\Omega}(u_1, \bar{u}_1, u_2, \bar{u}_2, \ldots, u_{n-1}, \bar{u}_{n-1}) = 0$ . Since  $\tilde{\omega}^{n-1}$  and  $(-\Omega_E)^{n-1}$  are positive semi-definite, we have:

$$\tilde{\omega}^{n-1}(u_1, \bar{u}_1, \dots, u_{n-1}, \bar{u}_{n-1}) = 0, \tag{2}$$

$$(-\Omega_E)^{n-1}(u_1,\bar{u}_1,\ldots,u_{n-1},\bar{u}_{n-1}) = 0.$$
(3)

By  $\tilde{\omega}^{n-1} = \pi^* \omega^{n-1}$  and Eq. (2), we have:

$$\omega^{n-1}(\pi_{*,\hat{x}}u_1,\pi_{*,\hat{x}}\bar{u}_1,\ldots,\pi_{*,\hat{x}}u_{n-1},\pi_{*,\hat{x}}\bar{u}_{n-1})=0.$$

Because  $\omega^{n-1}$  is strictly positive definite, hence  $u_i \in \text{Ker}(\pi_{*,\hat{x}})$ . Since  $\text{Ker}(\pi_{*,\hat{x}}) = T_{\hat{x}}E$ , so  $u_i \in T_{\hat{x}}E$  for all i = 1, ..., n-1. As  $-\Omega_E$  is strictly positive definite along E, so  $(-\Omega_E)^{n-1}$  is strictly positive definite along E. This contradicts Eq. (3), thus  $u_i = 0$  for all i = 1, ..., n-1. This shows that  $\tilde{\omega}^{n-1}$  and  $(-\Omega_E)^{n-1}$  are strictly positive definite at  $\hat{x} \in E$ .

To prove the definiteness of  $\hat{\Omega}$  on U, it is sufficient to see that, for any point  $\hat{x} \in U$ , there exists some positive integer  $N_{\hat{x}}$  such that  $N\tilde{\omega}^{n-1} + (-\Omega_E)^{n-1}$  is strictly positive definite at  $\hat{x}$  for any  $N > N_{\hat{x}}$ , hence it is strictly positive definite on a neighborhood  $U_{\hat{x}}$  of  $\hat{x}$ . Thanks to the fact that U is relatively compact, we can cover U by finitely such  $U_{\hat{x}}$ , and denote by  $N_{\text{max}}$  the maximum of  $N_{\hat{x}}$ .

This show that the real (n-1, n-1)-form  $\hat{\Omega} := N\tilde{\omega}^{n-1} + (-\Omega_E)^{n-1}$  is strictly positive definite for any  $N > N_{\text{max}}$ . By a result of Michelsohn, in [3, pp. 279–280], which say that any strictly positive definite (n-1, n-1)-form  $\hat{\Omega}$  can be represented by  $\hat{\Omega} = \hat{\omega}^{n-1}$  for some Kähler form  $\hat{\omega}$  on  $\hat{M}$ .

In final, we only needs to show that there exists a closed 1-form such that  $\hat{\omega}$  satisfies Eq. (1). Since the supports of  $\tilde{\theta}$  and  $\Omega_E$  are disjoint, so  $\tilde{\theta} \wedge \Omega_E = 0$ . In addition,  $d\hat{\omega}^{n-1} = d(N\tilde{\omega}^{n-1} + (-\Omega_E)^{n-1}) = Nd\tilde{\omega}^{n-1}$ , we obtain that

$$d\hat{\omega}^{n-1} = dN\tilde{\omega}^{n-1} = (n-1)\theta \wedge N\tilde{\omega}^{n-1} = (n-1)\tilde{\theta} \wedge N\tilde{\omega}^{n-1} + (n-1)\tilde{\theta} \wedge (-\Omega_E)^{n-1} = (n-1)\tilde{\theta} \wedge \hat{\omega}^{n-1}.$$

This show that there exists a closed 1-form  $\hat{\theta} := \tilde{\theta}$  such that  $\hat{\omega}$  satisfying

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$$\mathrm{d}\hat{\omega}^{n-1} = (n-1)\hat{\theta} \wedge \hat{\omega}^{n-1}$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 1.1.

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