Complex Geometry and Sigma Models

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History



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Sigma models in d=2

The (1,1) analysis by Gates Hull and Roček gives:

Susy	(0,0) (1,1)	(2,2)	(2,2)	(4,4)	(4,4)
Bgd	<i>G</i> , <i>B</i>	G	<i>G</i> , <i>B</i>	G	<i>G</i> , <i>B</i>
Geom	Riem.	Kähler	biherm.	hyperk.	bihyperc.





Bihermitean Geometry

$$(M, g, J_{(\pm)}, H)$$

$$E := g + B$$

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Generalized Complex Geometry

Complex structure:

$$\mathcal{J} \in End(TM \oplus T^*M), \qquad \mathcal{J}^2 = -1$$

 $\Pi_{\pm} := \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{1} \pm \mathcal{J})$

"Nijenhuis":

$$\mathcal{N}_{\mathcal{C}}(\mathcal{J}) = 0 \iff \Pi_{\mp}[\Pi_{\pm}U,\Pi_{\pm}V]_{\mathcal{C}} = 0$$

where

$$U = (u, \xi), \quad V = (v, \rho)$$

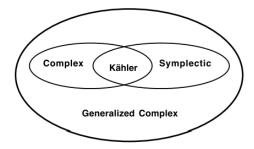
$$[U, V]_{C} = [u, v] + \mathcal{L}_{u}\rho - \mathcal{L}_{v}\xi - \frac{1}{2}d(\imath_{u}\rho - \imath_{v}\xi)$$

The automorphisms of this courant bracket are diffeomorphisms and *b*-transforms:

$$e^b(u,\xi)=(u,\xi+\imath_ub),\quad db=0.$$

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Bihermitean=Generalized Kähler

Description on $T \oplus T^*$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{J}_{(1,2)}^2 &= -\mathbf{1} \ , \quad [\mathcal{J}_{(1)}, \mathcal{J}_{(2)}] = \mathbf{0} \ , \quad \mathcal{J}_{(1,2)}^t \mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{J}_{(1,2)}} = \mathcal{I} \ , \quad \mathcal{G} := -\mathcal{J}_{(1)} \mathcal{J}_{(2)} \\ \\ \mathcal{J}_{(1,2)} &= \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ B & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} J_{(+)} \pm J_{(-)} & -(\omega_{(+)}^{-1} \mp \omega_{(-)}^{-1}) \\ \omega_{(+)} \mp \omega_{(-)} & -(J_{(+)}^t \pm J_{(-)}^t) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -B & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

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Generalized Kähler Potential

Geometric data: $(M, g, H, J_{(\pm)})$ or $(M, g, J_{(\pm)})$ or $(M, \mathcal{F}_{(\pm)}, J_{(\pm)})$. In each case, there is a complete description in terms of a Generalized Kähler potential *K*. Unlike the Kähler case, the expressions are non-linear in second derivatives of *K*. E.g.,

$$\mathcal{F}_{(+)} = d\lambda_{(+)} , \quad \lambda_{(+)\ell} = iK_R J(K_{LR})^{-1} K_{L\ell} , \dots$$

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There are two special sets of Darboux coordinates for the symplectic form Ω . One set, $(\mathbb{X}^L, \mathbb{Y}_L)$, is also canonical coordinates for $J_{(+)}$ and the other set, $(\mathbb{X}^R, \mathbb{Y}_R)$ is canonical coordinates for $J_{(-)}$. The symplectomorphism that relates the two sets of coordinates has thus a generating function. This generating function is in fact the generalized Kähler-potential $\mathcal{K}(\mathbb{X}^L, \mathbb{X}^R)$.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} (\mathbb{X}^{L}, \mathbb{Y}_{L}) & \leftarrow \mathcal{K}(\mathbb{X}^{L}, \mathbb{X}^{R}) \rightarrow & (\mathbb{X}^{R}, \mathbb{Y}_{R}) \\ \hline J_{(+)} = \begin{pmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & -i \end{pmatrix} & J_{(-)} = \begin{pmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & -i \end{pmatrix} \\ d\Omega = d\mathbb{X}^{\ell} \wedge d\mathbb{Y}_{\ell} + c.c. & d\Omega = \mathbb{X}^{r} \wedge \mathbb{Y}_{r} + c.c \end{array}$$

This fact is a key ingredient in the proof that we have a complete description or GKG.

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$$d = 2$$
, $N = (2, 2)$

$$\mathcal{oldsymbol{S}}=\int\mathbb{D}_+ar{\mathbb{D}}_+\mathbb{D}_-ar{\mathbb{D}}_-\mathcal{K}(\phi^{oldsymbol{c}},\chi^t,\mathbb{X}^L,\mathbb{X}^R)$$

Constrained superfields:

$$\begin{split} \bar{\mathbb{D}}_{\pm}\phi^{a} &= \mathbf{0} \;, \\ \bar{\mathbb{D}}_{+}\chi^{a'} &= \mathbb{D}_{-}\chi^{a'} = \mathbf{0} \;, \\ \bar{\mathbb{D}}_{+}\mathbb{X}^{\ell} &= \mathbf{0} \;, \\ \bar{\mathbb{D}}_{-}\mathbb{X}^{r} &= \mathbf{0} \;. \end{split}$$

Notation: $c := a, \overline{a}, \quad t := a', \overline{a}', \quad L := \ell, \overline{\ell}, \quad R := r, \overline{r}$.

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Superspace encodes and dictates all the geometric formulations of Generalized Kähler Geometry

Modulo Irregular Points!!!

- A complete coordinatization of GKG away from irregular points.
- GKG has a Generalized Kähler potential K.
- The non-linearities in the description of the geometry has found an interpretation as a quotient construction from an auxiliary higher dimensional space with Kac-Moody symmetries.
- We introduced and studied the notion of a biholomorphic gerbe with connection.

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• We studied the local conditions for a generalized Kähler manifold to be a generalized Calabi-Yau manifold and we derived a generalization of the complex Monge-Ampère equation to describe this. Its solutions give solutions of type II supergravity with metric, dilaton and *H*-field. This result also relates the pure spinor formulation of GKG to the generalized Kähler potential.

"The Quantum geometry of N=(2,2) nonlinear sigma models" Marcus T. Grisaru, M. Massar, A. Sevrin, J. Troost. Phys.Lett. B412 (1997) 53-58.

- The appropriate connections for gauging sigma models describing GKG have been constructed. Ingredients in T-duality.
- The various definitions of GKG corresponding sigma model formulations. This is seen, e.g., in the (2, 1) formulation we presented.



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