

**Homework 9, due 12/5**

Only your **four** best solutions will count towards your grade.

1. Suppose that  $\alpha$  is a (1,0)-form on a compact Riemann surface  $X$ .
  - (a) If in a local holomorphic chart  $\alpha = \alpha_z dz$ , define  $\bar{\alpha} = \overline{\alpha_z} d\bar{z}$ . Show that  $\bar{\alpha}$  defines a (0,1)-form on  $X$ , i.e. check that the coordinate representations of  $\bar{\alpha}$  satisfy the right compatibility condition.

- (b) Show that

$$\int_X \frac{i}{2} \alpha \wedge \bar{\alpha} \geq 0,$$

with equality only if  $\alpha = 0$ .

- (c) Suppose that  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  satisfies  $\partial\bar{\partial}f = 0$  (and  $X$  is compact). Show that  $f$  is constant, by considering the integral of  $\partial f \wedge \bar{\partial}f$  and using Stokes' Theorem.

2. Let  $X$  be a compact Riemann surface, and for any (1,0)-form  $\theta \in \Omega_X^{1,0}$ , define the norm  $\|\theta\|$  by

$$\|\theta\|^2 = i \int_X \theta \wedge \bar{\theta}.$$

From the previous question we know that this is a non-negative real number, which vanishes only if  $\theta = 0$ . Denote by  $[\theta]$  the equivalence class of  $\theta$  in  $\Omega^{1,0}/(\text{im } \partial)$ .

Show that if  $\alpha \in [\theta]$  has minimal norm among the elements in the class  $[\theta]$ , then  $\bar{\partial}\alpha = 0$ , i.e.  $\alpha$  is a holomorphic one-form. (Note that this gives another approach to proving the isomorphism  $H^{0,1} = \overline{H^{1,0}}$  from class.)

3. Let  $\alpha$  be a 2-form supported in a chart  $U$  on a Riemann surface. Suppose that  $z, w$  are two local coordinates on  $U$ , and  $\alpha = f(z) dz \wedge d\bar{z}$  and  $\alpha = g(w) dw \wedge d\bar{w}$  are the expressions of  $\alpha$  in these coordinates. Show that the integral  $\int_U \alpha$  defined in class is independent of the coordinate representation chosen for  $\alpha$ .
4. (a) Let  $\alpha$  be any meromorphic one-form on  $\mathbf{P}^1$ . Show that

$$\sum_{p \in \mathbf{P}^1} \text{ord}_p \alpha = -2.$$

*Hint: show that  $\alpha = f dz$  for a meromorphic function  $f$ .*

- (b) Let  $p_1, \dots, p_k \in \mathbf{P}^1$ , and  $a_1, \dots, a_k \in \mathbf{Z}$  satisfy  $\sum_i a_i = -2$ . Can you find a meromorphic one-form  $\alpha$  on  $\mathbf{P}^1$  such that  $\text{ord}_{p_i} \alpha = a_i$  for each  $i$ , and  $\text{ord}_p \alpha = 0$  for all other  $p$ ?

5. Consider the one-form  $\alpha = \bar{z} dz$  on  $\mathbf{C}$ .

- (a) Does there exist a function  $f : \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  such that  $\alpha = df$ ?

(b) Does there exist  $f : \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  such that  $\alpha = \partial f$ ?

6. In class we showed that  $\dim H_X^{1,0} \leq g$ , where  $g$  is the genus of the compact Riemann surface  $X$ . Let

$$H^1(X, \mathbf{R}) = \frac{\ker(d : \Omega^1(X) \rightarrow \Omega^2(X))}{d\Omega^0(X)}$$

denote the De Rham cohomology of  $X$ . Show that  $\dim_{\mathbf{R}} H_X^{1,0} = \dim_{\mathbf{R}} H^1(X, \mathbf{R})$  by showing that the map  $H_X^{1,0} \rightarrow H^1(X, \mathbf{R})$  given by  $\alpha \mapsto \alpha + \bar{\alpha}$  is a (real linear) isomorphism. This can be used to show that  $\dim H_X^{1,0} = g$ .