

Lecture XIX: Finiteness of $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} H^1(X, \mathcal{O})$ for X compact

Recall Čech cohomology as $H^0(X, \mathcal{F}) = \varinjlim_{\underline{U}} H^0(\underline{U}, \mathcal{F})$ (X top space) $H^1(X, \mathcal{F}) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \forall \underline{U}$ open covering $H^1(\underline{U}, \mathcal{F}) = 0$ ($H^1(\underline{U}, \mathcal{F}) \hookrightarrow H^1(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F})$ if $\mathcal{U} < \underline{U}$ is refinement)

Leray's Thm: If \underline{U} is Leray ($H^1(U_i, \mathcal{F}) = 0 \forall i$) $\Rightarrow H^1(X, \mathcal{F}) \simeq H^1(\underline{U}, \mathcal{F})$

- Examples:
- ① $H^1(X, \mathbb{C}) = H^1(X, \mathbb{Z}) = 0$ if X is a simply connected R.S.
 - ② $H^1(X, \mathcal{E}^{(k)}) = 0$ for $k = 0, 1, (1, 0), (0, 1), 2$ for X R.S.
 - ③ $H^1(D_R(0), \mathcal{O}) = H^1(\mathbb{C}, \mathcal{O}) = H^1(\mathbb{P}^1, \mathcal{O}) = 0$ ($0 < R < \infty$)

[Riemann Uniformization Theorem will say these are the only ones (up to biholomorphism)]

Key for ③ was Dolbeault's Theorem (see Lecture XVIII for a proof sketch).

Dolbeault's Theorem: Fix $X = D_R(0) = \{z : |z| < R\}$ for $0 < R \leq \infty$ & $g \in \mathcal{E}^{\bar{0}, 1}(X)$ ($\mathbb{C} = D_{\infty}(0)$)

Then $\exists f \in \mathcal{E}(X)$ with $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = g$

Next goal: Show $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} H^1(X, \mathcal{O}) < \infty$ for X compact R.S. Call it genus of X

- Build non-constant meromorphic functions on compact R.S. with various restrictions. (General case: Riemann-Roch Thm)

§19.1 Finiteness Theorem:

Finiteness Theorem: If X is a compact R.S., then $H^1(X, \mathcal{O})$ is finite dim'l

The result is a special case of:

Theorem: Fix X a R.S., Y_1, Y_2 opens with $Y_1 \Subset Y_2 \subset X$. Then, the restriction map $H^1(Y_2, \mathcal{O}) \xrightarrow{\text{res}} H^1(Y_1, \mathcal{O})$ has finite dimensional image. $\rightarrow \bar{Y}_1 \subset Y_2$ is compact

The proof is described in detail in §14 & 15 of Forster's textbook. We'll show where the main difficulty lies.

Remark: First, define res on Čech cohomology relative to coverings

Fix $\underline{U} = \{U_i : i \in \mathbb{I}\}$ open covering of Y_2 . Then $\underline{V} = \{U_i \cap Y_1\}$ is a covering of Y_1 .

Take $Z'(\underline{U}, \mathcal{O}) \xrightarrow{\text{res}} Z'(\underline{V}, \mathcal{O})$

$$f_{ij} \in \mathcal{O}(U_{ij}) \longmapsto (f_{ij}|_{U_{ij} \cap Y_1})$$

Note res commutes with ∂ , so it defines $\text{res}: H'(\underline{U}, \mathcal{O}) \rightarrow H'(\underline{V}, \mathcal{O})$. (exercise)

Note: res is compatible with refinements on covers of Y_1 & Y_2 .

\Rightarrow Take direct limit on \underline{V} & use defining property of $\varinjlim_{\underline{U}}$.

$$H'(\underline{U}, \mathcal{O}) \xrightarrow{\text{res}} H'(\underline{V}, \mathcal{O}) \xrightarrow{\varinjlim_{\underline{U}}} \varinjlim_{\underline{V}} H'(\underline{V}, \mathcal{O}) = H'(Y, \mathcal{O})$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \nearrow \text{res} \\ & \searrow & \\ & \varinjlim_{\underline{U}} H'(\underline{U}, \mathcal{O}) = H'(X, \mathcal{O}) & \end{array}$$

Proof Pick a nice enough open covering & prove the statement for it. \square

For each $y \in Y_2$, consider a local chart $U_y \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{D}$
 $y \longmapsto 0$

Pick $W_y = z^{-1}(\mathbb{D}_{\frac{1}{2}}(0))$ for each $y \in Y_2$. Then, $\overline{W}_y \subseteq U_y$ is compact for each $y \in Y_2$.

The collection $\{W_y : y \in Y_2\}$ covers Y_2 , hence also $\overline{Y_1} \subseteq Y_2$.

By compactness of $\overline{Y_1}$, we can find a subcover $\{W_1, \dots, W_n\}$. Consider the corresponding opens $\{U_1, \dots, U_n\}$ ($W_i = W_{y_i} \Rightarrow U_i = U_{y_i}$)

$$\text{Then } Y_1 \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n W_i =: Y' \subseteq Y'' := \bigcup_{i=1}^n U_i \subset Y_2 \quad (W_i \subseteq U_i)$$

Note: $\overline{Y'} = \bigcup_{i=1}^n \overline{W}_i$ is compact & \overline{W}_i is a closed disc.

Take $\underline{U} = \{U_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ & $\underline{W} = \{W_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ coverings of Y'' & Y' by opens homeomorphic to open discs (in \mathbb{C})

* Key step: Show $H^1(\underline{U}, \mathcal{O}) \xrightarrow{\text{res}} H^1(\underline{W}, \mathcal{O})$ has finite dim'l image
(uses a lot of analysis & L^2 norms on cochains)

By construction, \underline{U} & \underline{W} are Leray coverings (opens are discs + use Theorem §17.5)

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 H^1(\underline{U}, \mathcal{O}) & \xrightarrow{\text{res}} & H^1(\underline{W}, \mathcal{O}) \\
 \text{Leray's Thm} \leftarrow \parallel & & \parallel \leftarrow \text{Leray's Thm} \\
 \boxed{H^1(Y'', \mathcal{O})} & \xrightarrow{\text{res}} & \boxed{H^1(Y', \mathcal{O})} \quad (\text{finite dim'l image by Key Step}) \\
 \uparrow & \text{res} & \downarrow \\
 H^1(Y_2, \mathcal{O}) & \xrightarrow{\text{res}} & H^1(Y_1, \mathcal{O})
 \end{array}$$

Since $\text{im } H^1(Y_2, \mathcal{O}) \subseteq \text{im } (H^1(Y'', \mathcal{O}) \xrightarrow{\text{res}} H^1(Y', \mathcal{O}))$ & the latter is finite-dimensional by the key step, this confirms the statement. \square

Corollary: If X is a compact R.S. $\dim H^1(X, \mathcal{O}) < \infty$

3f/ Take $Y = X$ in the Finiteness Thm (res = id).

§19.2 Consequences of Finiteness Theorem:

These finiteness results have several important consequences regarding construction of non-constant holomorphic / meromorphic functions on Riemann surfaces.

The Riemann-Roch Thm will be of the same spirit.

Corollary 1: Let X be a R.S. & $Y \Subset X$ a relative compact open subset of X .

Then, given any $a \in Y \exists f \in \mathcal{O}(Y)$ non-constant holomorphic on $Y \setminus \{a\}$

with a pole at a . In particular, if X is compact, we can take $Y=X$.

Proof: Take a local coord chart (U, z) around $a \quad \begin{array}{ccc} U & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \mathbb{D} \\ a & \longmapsto & 0 \end{array}$ with $U \subset Y$

Take the open cover $\underline{U} = \{U_1=U, U_2=X \setminus \{a\}\}$ of X .

$U_{12} = U \setminus \{a\} \cong \mathbb{D}^*$ There are no triple intersections

Claim: $H^1(\underline{U}, \mathcal{O}) \xrightarrow{\text{res}} H^1(\underline{U} \cap Y, \mathcal{O})$ has finite dim'l image.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{B}\mathcal{C} / & H^1(\underline{U}, \mathcal{O}) & \xrightarrow{\text{res}} & H^1(\underline{U} \cap Y, \mathcal{O}) \\ & \downarrow & \text{Ⓞ} & \downarrow \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{H^1(X, \mathcal{O}) \xrightarrow{\text{res}} H^1(Y, \mathcal{O})}$$

finite dim'l image by Thm.

Write $k := \dim_{\mathbb{C}} (\text{res } H^1(\underline{U}, \mathcal{O}) \subseteq H^1(\underline{U} \cap Y, \mathcal{O}))$

Now: $\frac{1}{z^j} \in \mathcal{O}(U_1 \cap U_2)$ for all $j \geq 1$

Since $Z^1(\underline{U}, \mathcal{O}) = \mathcal{O}(U_1 \cap U_2)$ (no triple intersections on \underline{U}), we

write $\boxed{\zeta_j} := [z^{-j}] \in H^1(\underline{U}, \mathcal{O})$ for $j=1, \dots, k+1$

• We have more than the dimension of $\text{res } (H^1(\underline{U}, \mathcal{O})) \subseteq H^1(\underline{U} \cap Y, \mathcal{O})$, so

$\{z^{-j}|_Y : j=1, \dots, k+1\}$ are linearly dependent modulo $\mathcal{B}^1(\underline{U} \cap Y, \mathcal{O})$

Pick $c_1, \dots, c_{k+1} \in \mathbb{C}$, not all 0 with

for some $f \in C^0(\underline{U} \cap Y, \mathcal{O})$

$$\boxed{\sum_{j=1}^{k+1} c_j z^{-j} \Big|_{U_{12} \cap Y} = \partial f = f_z - f_{\bar{z}} \quad (*)}$$

Here, $f = (f_1, f_2)$ with $f_1 \in \mathcal{O}(U, \mathcal{N}Y) = \mathcal{O}(U)$
 $f_2 \in \mathcal{O}(Y^*)$

Rearranging (*) we get $f_2 = \underbrace{\sum_{j=1}^{k+1} c_j z^{-j}}_{\substack{a \text{ is a pole} \\ \text{of this function} \\ \text{on } U}} + \underbrace{f_1}_{\in \mathcal{O}(U)} \quad \text{on } U_{12}, \mathcal{N}Y = U^*$

Thus, $f_2 \in \mathcal{B}(Y)$ is non-constant, holomorphic on $Y \setminus \{a\}$ & has a pole at a . □

Corollary 2: Fix a compact R.S. X & n distinct pts $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ on X .

Pick $c_1, \dots, c_n \in \mathbb{C}$. Then $\exists f \in \mathcal{B}(X)$ with $f(a_j) = c_j \quad \forall j=1, \dots, n$.

Proof: Pick $f_i \in \mathcal{B}(X)$ s.t. f_i has a pole at a_i & it's holomorphic on $X \setminus \{a_i\}$ (we can do so by Corollary 2)

• Next, we massage f_i to find $g_{ij} \in \mathcal{B}(X)$ with no poles at $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ with $g_{ij}(a_i) = 1$, $g_{ij}(a_j) = 0$

Choose $\lambda_{ij} \in \mathbb{C}^*$ so that $-\lambda_{ij} + f_i(a_j) \neq f_i(a_k) \quad \forall k \neq i$
 (we can do so since $\{f_i(a_k) - f_i(a_j) : k \neq i, j\}$ is finite.)

Claim: $g_{ij}(z) = \frac{f_i(z) - f_i(a_j)}{f_i(z) - f_i(a_j) + \lambda_{ij}}$ works!

Pf. g_{ij} is holomorphic on neighborhoods of all a_1, \dots, a_n since the denominators don't vanish at a_k for $k \neq i$.

• At a_i the singularity comes from $f_i(z)$, so they cancel out

$$g_{ij}(z) = \frac{1 - \frac{f_i(a_j)}{f_i(z)}}{1 - \frac{f_i(a_j) - \lambda_{ij}}{h_i(z)}} \xrightarrow{z \rightarrow a_i} 1$$

$$\bullet g_{ij}(a_j) = \frac{0}{\lambda_{ij}} = 0 \quad \& \quad g_{ij}(a_i) = 1. \quad \square$$

To finish $h_i := \prod_{j \neq i} g_{ij} \in \mathcal{H}(X)$, holomorphic at a_1, \dots, a_n

$$\& h_i(a_k) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k=i \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Then $f = \sum_{j=1}^n c_j h_j$ does the trick!

Corollary 3: Fix X non-compact R.S. & $Y \subseteq X$ open. Then \exists holomorphic function $f: Y \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ which is non-constant on each connected component of Y .

Proof We need to replace Y by a relatively compact domain containing it.

Claim 1: Build Y_1 open with $Y \subseteq Y_1 \subseteq X$ & Y_1 connected

Bf/ For each $a \in Y$, pick a local chart $U \xrightarrow{\varphi_a} \mathbb{D}$ around $a \in Y$

Then: $\varphi_a^{-1}(\overline{D}_{\frac{1}{4}}(0))$ covers Y .

$$\text{Then } \overline{Y} \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} \varphi_{a_i}^{-1}(\overline{D}_{\frac{1}{4}}(0)) \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} \varphi_{a_i}^{-1}(\overline{D}_{\frac{1}{2}}(0))$$

Since \overline{Y} is compact, we can find a finite subcover using a_{i_1}, \dots, a_{i_n}

To build Y_1 , we need to connect $U_j := \varphi_{a_{i_j}}^{-1}(\overline{D}_{\frac{1}{2}}(0))$ $j=1, \dots, n$

Since X is pathwise connected, for each $j=2, \dots, n$ we can find a path $\gamma_j: [0,1] \rightarrow X$ starting at a_1 & ending at a_j .

We can find a connected open W_j containing $\text{im } \gamma_j$ (use a cover of $\text{im } \gamma_j$ by finitely many local charts & use the fact that $\gamma_j([0,1])$ is connected to conclude that the union of these charts is connected).

Then $Y_1 = \bigcup_{j=1}^n U_j \cup \bigcup_{j=2}^n W_j$ is open, connected & $\bar{Y} \subseteq \bigcup_{j=1}^n U_j \subset Y_1$.

• Claim 2: $Y_1 \setminus Y \neq \emptyset$

Pf/ Argue by contradiction. If $\bar{Y} \subset Y_1 = Y$, then Y is both open & closed.

Since $Y \neq \emptyset$ & X is connected, we have $X=Y$ so $X=\bar{Y}$ is compact.

This is a contradiction. \square

• Pick $a \in Y_1 \setminus Y$ & use Corollary 1 applied to $Y_1 \subseteq X$ to find a meromorphic function f on Y_1 , non-constant with a pole at a & holomorphic outside a .

In particular, since Y_1 is connected & each connected component of Y is open, f

cannot be constant on them, otherwise it would be constant on Y_1 . This cannot happen. \square

Before stating & proving our last corollary, we need the following lemma.
Lemma: Fix X a R.S. then $H^1(X, \mathcal{O})$ is a module over $\mathcal{O}(X)$.

Proof Multiplication by $f \in \mathcal{O}(X)$ defines a linear endomorphism

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H^1(\underline{U}, \mathcal{O}) & \longrightarrow & H^1(\underline{U}, \mathcal{O}) \\ [(\delta)] & \longmapsto & [(f\delta)] = [(f|_{U_{ij}} g_{ij})_{ij}] \end{array}$$

for any open covering $\underline{U} = (U_{ij})_{ij}$ of X , compatible with refinement maps $\tau_{\underline{U}'}^{\underline{U}}$, and

this yields a linear map $H^1(X, \mathcal{O}) \longrightarrow H^1(X, \mathcal{O})$.

The required axioms for modules over $\mathcal{O}(X)$ are easy to check. \square

Corollary 4: Assume X is a non-compact $\mathbb{R}S$ & pick Y, Y' open, relatively compact subsets of X with $Y \Subset Y' \Subset X$. Then

$$\text{Im} (H^1(Y', \mathbb{C}) \xrightarrow{\text{res}} H^1(Y, \mathbb{C})) = \{0\}$$

Proof: We know by Theorem 519.1, that the image is finite-dimensional \mathbb{C} .

Say its value is n & pick $\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n \in H^1(Y', \mathbb{C})$ with

$$L = \text{span} (\text{res}(\zeta_1), \dots, \text{res}(\zeta_n)) = \text{Im}(\text{res})$$

By Corollary 3 applied to $Y' \Subset X$ $\exists f \in \mathcal{O}(Y')$ non-constant on any connected component of Y' . Multiplying by f gives an element in $\text{End}(H^1(Y', \mathbb{C}))$

by Lemma 519.2.

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{f|_Y \zeta_i|_Y}_{\in L} = \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} \zeta_j|_Y \quad \text{on } Y \quad \text{with } c_{ij} \in \mathbb{C}$$

Next, we define $F := \det (f \text{Id} - (c_{ij})) \in \mathcal{O}(Y')$

Claim 1: F is not identically 0 on any connected component of Y' .

Pf: $F = G(f)$ where $G := \det (T \text{Id} - (c_{ij})) \in \mathbb{C}[T]$ monic of degree n .

Write Z for a connected component of Y' . If $F|_Z \equiv 0$ on Z , then $\text{im}(f|_Z)$ lies in the set of n roots of G & it is connected (f is continuous on Y'), so $f|_Z$ is constant. This contradicts our assumption on f . \square

Claim 2: $F|_Y \zeta_i = 0$ in $H^1(Y, \mathbb{C}) \Rightarrow F|_Y L = 0$

Pf: Let's see it first for $n=2$. Write $f\zeta_1 = a\zeta_1 + b\zeta_2$
 $f\zeta_2 = c\zeta_1 + d\zeta_2$

$$\Rightarrow F := \det \begin{pmatrix} f-a & -b \\ -c & f-d \end{pmatrix} = f^2 - (a+d)f + (ad-bc)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
F|_Y \cdot \zeta_1 &= f^2 \cdot \zeta_1 - (a+d)f \cdot \zeta_1 + (ad-bc) \cdot \zeta_1 \\
&= f(\underbrace{f \zeta_1}_{= a\zeta_1 + b\zeta_2}) - (a+d)(\underbrace{f \zeta_1}_{= a\zeta_1 + b\zeta_2}) + (ad-bc) \cdot \zeta_1 \\
&= a(a\zeta_1 + b\zeta_2) + b(c\zeta_1 + d\zeta_2) - (a+d)(a\zeta_1 + b\zeta_2) + (ad-bc)\zeta_1 \\
&= (a^2 + bc - a^2 - ad + ad - bc)\zeta_1 + (ab + bd - ab - db)\zeta_2 = 0 \checkmark
\end{aligned}$$

$F|_Y \cdot \zeta_2 = 0$ by symmetry.

General argument: $A = (f\text{Id} - (c_{ij}))$ satisfies $\text{adj}(A) \cdot A = F \cdot \text{Id}$

Since $A \cdot \zeta_i|_Y = 0 \quad \forall i \Rightarrow F|_Y \cdot \zeta_i|_Y = 0 \quad \forall i$.
 $\zeta_i|_Y \rightarrow$ basis for L . □

By Claim 1, the zeros of $F \in \mathcal{O}(Y')$ are discrete. Thus, we can pick a Leray covering $\underline{U} = (U_i)_{i \in I}$ of Y' for $\mathcal{O}_{Y'}$ s.t.

① each U_i has at most one zero of F

② F has no zero on U_{ij}

Recall: $H^1(D_{\mathbb{R}}(0), \mathcal{O}) = 0 \quad \forall \mathbb{R}$. Thus, we can pick local charts around 0 's containing exactly one zero & chart around the remaining pts containing no zeros of F . This collection will be a Leray covering for \mathcal{O}

In particular, $F|_{U_{ij}} \in \mathcal{O}^*(U_i \cap U_j)$ by ②

We have $H^1(Y', \mathcal{O}) \cong H^1(\underline{U}, \mathcal{O})$ by Leray's Theorem (§17.2)

Claim 3: $\text{res} \equiv 0$.

pf/ Pick $h \in H^1(Y', \mathcal{O})$ & it's representative $(h_{ij})_{ij} \in Z^1(\underline{U}, \mathcal{O})$.

It follows that we can find $(g_{ij})_{ij} \in Z^1(\underline{U}, \mathcal{O})$ with $h_{ij} = \overline{F}|_{U_{ij}} \cdot g_{ij}$
 ($\overline{F}|_{U_{ij}} \in \mathcal{O}^*(U_i \cap U_j)$ & $F \in \mathcal{O}(Y')$ so the cocycle equation for $g_{ij} = \frac{1}{\overline{F}|_{U_{ij}}} h_{ij}$
 is inherited from that of f).

Fix $g \in H^1(Y', \mathcal{O})$ to be the class associated to $(g_{ij})_{ij}$ by claim 2
 Then $h = \overline{F} \cdot g$. Thus, $res(h) = h|_Y = \overline{F}|_Y \cdot \underbrace{g|_Y}_{\in L} = 0$.

Conclusion: $res(h) = h|_Y = 0$ as we wanted