

ERRATUM TO “TRANSLATES OF FUNCTIONS OF TWO VARIABLES”

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It has come to my attention that the argument on pages 288–290 of [1] is flawed. The problem is that  $\bar{\partial}\Phi \wedge \bar{\partial}\Phi$  need not be 0.

Here we correct the argument, following the steps of [2] more closely. Let us write  $\Lambda^s_{(0,r)}$  for the space of forms  $\Lambda^s(\mathcal{R}_{(0,r)})$  appearing in [1], where  $\mathcal{R}$  is an appropriate ring of continuous functions on  $\Pi^2$ . Let  $\mathbf{g}' = \chi_\lambda \wedge \Phi \in \Lambda^1_{(0,0)}$ , and note that  $P_f \mathbf{g}' = \chi_\lambda$  and  $\bar{\partial} \mathbf{g}' = \bar{\partial} \chi_\lambda \wedge \Phi + \chi_\lambda \wedge \bar{\partial} \Phi$ . Set

$$\mathbf{h}' = \Phi \wedge \bar{\partial} \mathbf{g}' = \bar{\partial} \chi_\lambda \wedge \Phi \wedge \Phi + \chi_\lambda \wedge \Phi \wedge \bar{\partial} \Phi = \chi_\lambda \wedge \Phi \wedge \bar{\partial} \Phi \in \Lambda^2_{(0,1)},$$

and observe that  $P_f \mathbf{h}' = \chi_\lambda \wedge \bar{\partial} \Phi$ . Let

$$\mathbf{h}'' = \Phi \wedge \bar{\partial} \mathbf{h}' = \chi_\lambda \wedge \Phi \wedge \bar{\partial} \Phi \wedge \bar{\partial} \Phi \in \Lambda^3_{(0,2)},$$

and note that  $P_f \mathbf{h}'' = \chi_\lambda \wedge \bar{\partial} \Phi \wedge \bar{\partial} \Phi$ . As a differential form,  $\mathbf{h}''$  has order (0, 2), and since the complex dimension of the region is 2, it follows that  $\bar{\partial} \mathbf{h}'' = 0$ . We find an  $\mathbf{h}''' \in \Lambda^3_{(0,1)}$  such that  $\bar{\partial} \mathbf{h}''' = \mathbf{h}''$ , and set  $\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{h}' - P_f \mathbf{h}''' \in \Lambda^2_{(0,1)}$ , for then  $P_f \mathbf{h} = \chi_\lambda \wedge \bar{\partial} \Phi$ , and  $\bar{\partial} \mathbf{h} = -\bar{\partial} \chi_\lambda \wedge \bar{\partial} \Phi \wedge \Phi$ . Let  $\mathbf{y} \in \Lambda^2_{(0,1)}$  solve

$$\bar{\partial} \mathbf{y} = (1 - (\lambda + 4) \widehat{A^2})^{-1} \bar{\partial} \chi_\lambda \wedge \bar{\partial} \Phi \wedge \Phi;$$

the right-hand side is  $\bar{\partial}$ -closed because it is a (0, 2)-form, and the singularity of the first factor is swallowed by  $\bar{\partial} \chi_\lambda$ . The form  $\mathbf{g}'' = \mathbf{h} + (1 - (\lambda + 4) \widehat{A^2}) \mathbf{y} \in \Lambda^2_{(0,1)}$  is then  $\bar{\partial}$ -closed, that is,  $\bar{\partial} \mathbf{g}'' = 0$ . Let  $\mathbf{g}''' \in \Lambda^2_{(0,0)}$  solve  $\bar{\partial} \mathbf{g}''' = \mathbf{g}''$ , and set  $\mathbf{g}_0 = \mathbf{g}' - P_f \mathbf{g}''' \in \Lambda^1_{(0,0)}$ . Then  $P_f \mathbf{g}_0 = \chi_\lambda$ , and  $\bar{\partial} \mathbf{g}_0 = \bar{\partial} \chi_\lambda \wedge \Phi - (1 - (\lambda + 4) \widehat{A^2}) P_f \mathbf{y}$ . Let  $\mathbf{x} \in \Lambda^1_{(0,0)}$  solve

$$\bar{\partial} \mathbf{x} = P_f \mathbf{y} - (1 - (\lambda + 4) \widehat{A^2})^{-1} \bar{\partial} \chi_\lambda \wedge \Phi;$$

again the singularity of the inverted analytic function is absorbed by the factor  $\bar{\partial} \chi_\lambda$ . Also, the right-hand side is  $\bar{\partial}$ -closed due to its connection with  $\bar{\partial} \mathbf{g}_0$ . If we set  $\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{g}_0 + (1 - (\lambda + 4) \widehat{A^2}) \mathbf{x} \in \Lambda^1_{(0,0)}$ , then  $\bar{\partial} \mathbf{g} = 0$  and

$$P_f \mathbf{g} = \chi_\lambda + (1 - (\lambda + 4) \widehat{A^2}) P_f \mathbf{x}.$$

It follows that

$$\frac{1 - P_{\mathbf{f}\mathbf{g}}}{1 - (\lambda + 4)A^2} = \frac{1 - \chi_\lambda}{1 - (\lambda + 4)A^2} - P_{\mathbf{f}\mathbf{x}},$$

the supremum norm of which we can control by tracing back our moves and making sure the solutions to the  $\bar{\partial}$  problems are as nice as we need them to be. This is guaranteed by the following lemma, which follows from the existence on the bidisk of bounded continuous solutions to  $\bar{\partial}$  problems with data of the same degree of regularity [3, p. 676].

**LEMMA.** *Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be the ring  $C((\bar{\Pi} \cup \{\infty\})^2)$ . Suppose  $\mathbf{v} \in \Lambda_{(0,r)}^s$  is  $\bar{\partial}$ -closed, and that  $(z_1 + 1)^{n+2}(z_2 + 1)^{n+2}\mathbf{v} \in \Lambda_{(0,r)}^s$  for some  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . Then there is a  $\mathbf{u} \in \Lambda_{(0,r-1)}^s$  solving  $\bar{\partial}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{v}$ , such that  $(z_1 + 1)^n(z_2 + 1)^n\mathbf{u} \in \Lambda_{(0,r-1)}^s$ , and the following estimate holds:*

$$\|(z_1 + 1)^n(z_2 + 1)^n\mathbf{u}\| \leq C\|(z_1 + 1)^{n+2}(z_2 + 1)^{n+2}\mathbf{v}\|.$$

Using the lemma, we obtain in place of (4.17) in [1] that

$$|\mathcal{C}[\phi](\lambda)| \leq C(\operatorname{Re} \lambda)^{-2}(1 + |\lambda|)^{12}A(\lambda)^6, \quad \operatorname{Re} \lambda > 0,$$

which leads to the same conclusions as before [1].

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