

Pluripotential-theoretic approach to radial energy functionals

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Geodesic in \mathcal{E}^1

The notation of geodesics can be generalized to the case where $\varphi_0, \varphi_1 \in \mathcal{E}^1$.

Theorem (Darvas)

There is always a unique finite energy geodesic from φ_0 to φ_1 .

Finite energy coincides with the weak geodesic if $\varphi_0, \varphi_1 \in \mathcal{H}$.

Geodesic rays

Definition

A geodesic ray is a map $\ell : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^1$ such that $\ell|_{[0,t]}$ is a finite energy geodesic for any $t \geq 0$.

The set of finite energy geodesic rays ℓ with $\ell_0 = 0$ is denoted by \mathcal{R}^1 .

Theorem (Chen–Cheng, Darvas–Lu)

\mathcal{R}^1 has a complete metric:

$$d_1(\ell, \ell') := \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t} d_1(\ell_t, \ell'_t).$$

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Theorem (Hisamoto, Xia)

Assume that (X, L) is (geodesically) unstable, there is a unique minimizer of

$$\inf_{\ell \in \mathcal{R}^2, d_2(0, \ell_1)=1} \mathbf{M}(\ell).$$

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The first two approaches can only handle some cases. They have the disadvantage that they do not map injectively to geodesic rays. Also they could not handle general geodesic rays.

We adopt a mixture of the third and the fourth approaches.

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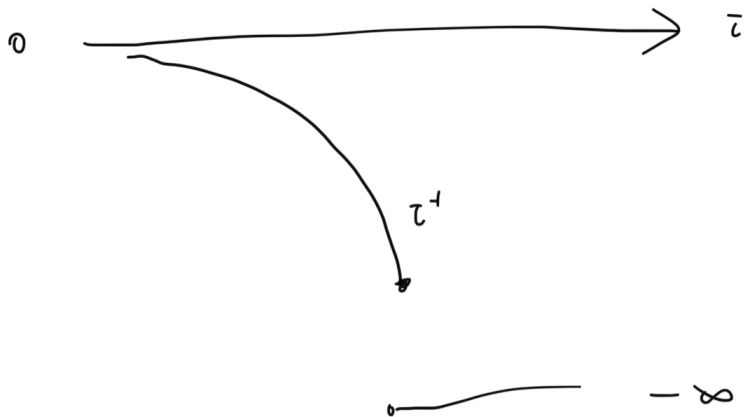
These conditions completely characterize the test curves.

Theorem (Ross–Witt Nyström, Darvas–Di Nezza–Lu, Darvas–Xia)

The Legendre is a bijection from \mathcal{R}^1 to the set of curves satisfying the five conditions above.

This theorem is the bridge between pluripotential theory of singular potentials and the theory of geodesic rays.

Image of a test curve



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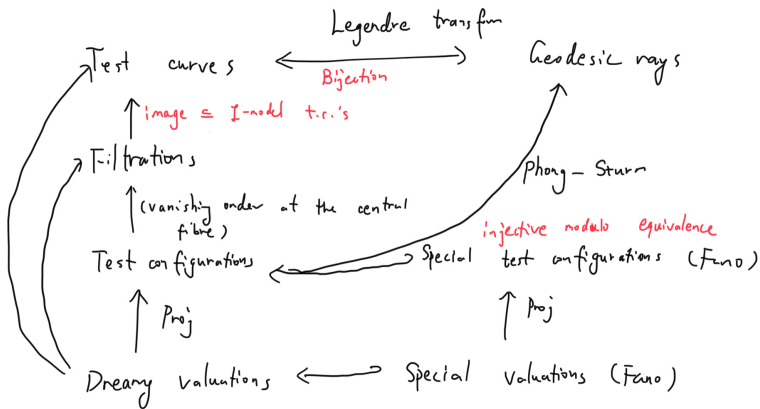
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The map from filtrations to test curves is as follows: Let \mathcal{F}^\bullet be a filtration of $R(X, L)$, then

$$\psi_\tau := \sup_{k \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}}^* k^{-1} \sup^* \left\{ \log |s|_{h^k}^2 : s \in \mathcal{F}^{k\tau} H^0(X, L^k), \sup_X |s|_{h^k} \leq 1 \right\}.$$

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- This is the correct setup to extend what have been studied for test configurations and filtrations.

Monge–Ampère energy — First example

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This implies that we should define

$$E(\psi) := \frac{1}{V} \int_X \omega_\psi^n - 1.$$

Maximal geodesic rays

Given a test configuration $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{L})$ of (X, L) . One can always solve the homogeneous Monge–Ampère equation on \mathcal{X} with boundary value 0 on $X \times S^1$. This geodesic ray is known as the Phong–Sturm geodesic ray. This is a $C^{1,1}$ -geodesic ray (Chu–Tosatti–Weinkove).

Definition (Berman–Boucksom–Jonsson)

A geodesic ray \mathcal{R}^1 is *maximal* if it can be approximated by Phong–Sturm geodesic rays of test configurations.

Maximal geodesic rays

The most important geodesic rays in the study of K-stability are all maximal.

Theorem (Li)

A geodesic ray $\ell \in \mathcal{R}^1$ with $\mathbf{Ent}(\ell) < \infty$ is maximal.

A maximal geodesic ray is algebraic in a very strong sense.

Maximal geodesic rays under the Legendre transform

Theorem (Darvas–Xia)

Under the Legendre transform, maximal geodesic rays correspond to test curves ψ_\bullet , such that each ψ_τ ($\tau < \tau^+$) is \mathcal{J} -model.

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Roughly speaking, \mathcal{J} -model potentials are *algebraic* singularities.

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Ricci energy

Theorem (Xia)

Let $\ell \in \mathcal{R}^1$ be a maximal geodesic ray, sup-normalized, then

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Hence, one should define

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Entropy

This is much more difficult!

By Li's theorem, $\mathbf{Ent}(\ell) < \infty$ implies that ℓ is maximal. So we only need to consider maximal geodesic rays and \mathcal{J} -model test curves.

Our approach depends essentially on the Berkovich space picture.

Berkovich analytification

We consider the Berkovich analytification X^{an} of X with respect to the trivial valuation on \mathbb{C} .

As a set, X^{an} is the disjoint union of valuations on the function fields of irreducible closed subschemes of X , extending the trivial valuation on \mathbb{C} .

As a topological space, X^{an} (with the Berkovich topology) is the inverse limit of a net of polytopes.

As a locally ringed site, X^{an} carries the Berkovich G-topology and a sheaf of rings.

Berkovich affine line over \mathbb{C} with trivial valuation

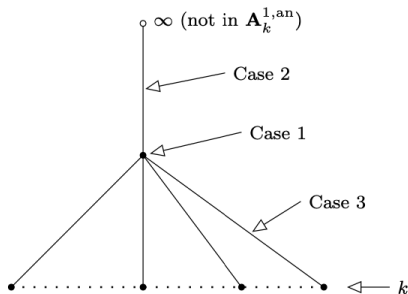


Figure 1.20: A picture of $\mathbf{A}_k^{1,\text{an}}$.

This picture comes from the lecture notes of Mattias Jonsson.

How does the non-Archimedean picture show up?

A geodesic ray induces a non-Archimedean potential: when ℓ is sup-normalized,

$$\ell^{\text{NA}}(v) = -G(v)(\Phi),$$

where Φ is the S^1 -invariant potential defined by ℓ . This establishes a bijection from the set of maximal geodesic rays to $\mathcal{E}^{1,\text{NA}}$.

Theorem (Berman–Boucksom–Jonsson)

There is a bijection between maximal geodesic rays and \mathcal{E}^1 potentials on the Berkovich analytification of (X, L) (with respect to the trivial valuation on \mathbb{C}).

Hence every functional of maximal geodesic rays can be expressed in terms of the corresponding non-Archimedean potentials.

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Analysis on Berkovich spaces

Monge–Ampère operator on Berkovich spaces was first introduced by Chambert-Loir. The theory of differential forms on Berkovich spaces was studied in the celebrated *les Antoinettes* paper by Antoine Chambert-Loir and Antoine Ducros and in a series of papers by Gubler, Künnemann, etc.

Due to the lack of Demailly approximation in general, the theory is only well-behaved when the base field is either trivially valued or discretely valued, in which case, the theory was further studied by Boucksom, Favre and Jonsson.

Non-Archimedean Monge–Ampère energy

For $\phi \in \mathcal{E}^{1,\text{NA}}$, define

$$E^{\text{NA}}(\phi) := \frac{1}{V} \sum_{j=0}^n \int_X \phi \text{MA}(\phi^{(j)}, \phi_{\text{triv}}^{(n-j)}).$$

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Let $\ell \in \mathcal{R}^1$ be a maximal geodesic ray. Then

$$\mathbf{E}(\ell) = E^{\text{NA}}(\ell^{\text{NA}}).$$

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- 3 There is a retraction $r_X : X^{\text{an}} \rightarrow \Delta_X$ from X^{an} to the dual complex of a model of X , X^{an} is the inverse limit, define

$$A_X := \sup_x A_X \circ r_X.$$

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- A_X can be viewed as a metric on the canonical sheaf on X^{an} (Temkin).

Non-Archimedean entropy

The non-Archimedean entropy $\text{Ent}^{\text{NA}} : \mathcal{E}^{1,\text{NA}} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ is defined as

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Conjecture

Let $\ell \in \mathcal{R}^1$ be a maximal geodesic ray. Then

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The proof of the direction \leq was due to Li. The converse is highly non-trivial. It is known when ℓ is the Phong–Sturm ray.

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A formal computation when $\phi \in \mathcal{E}^{1,NA}$, $\sup \phi = 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{V} \int_X A_X \text{MA}(\phi) &= \partial_t|_{t=0} E^{NA}(P[\phi + tA_X]) \\ &= \frac{1}{V} \partial_t|_{t=0} \int_{-\infty}^{\tau^+} \left(\int_X \omega_{\psi_\tau^t}^n - \int_X \omega^n \right) d\tau \\ &= \frac{1}{V} \int_{-\infty}^{\tau^+} \partial_t|_{t=0} \int_X \omega_{\psi_\tau^t}^n d\tau. \end{aligned}$$

Algebraic reformulation of non-pluripolar mass

Let $\psi \in \text{PSH}(X, \omega)$. Then ψ defines a Weil b-divisor (in the sense of Shokurov) on the Riemann–Zariski space associated to X :

$$(\text{div}_{\mathfrak{X}} \psi)_Y = [\text{div}_Y \psi].$$

Here $[\bullet]$ denotes the numerical class, $\pi : Y \rightarrow X$ runs over birational models of X . Note that $\text{div}_{\mathfrak{X}} \psi \in \lim_Y N_{\mathbb{R}}^1(Y)$.

Theorem (Xia)

Assume that ψ is \mathcal{J} -model, then

$$\int_X \omega_{\psi}^n = \text{vol}(L - \text{div}_{\mathfrak{X}} \psi).$$

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Definition

$$\text{Ent}^{\text{NA}}(\psi) := \frac{n}{V} \lim_Y \left(\langle \pi^* L - \text{div}_Y \psi \rangle^{n-1} \cdot (K_{Y/X} + \text{red div}_Y \psi) \right) .$$

Entropy theorem

Theorem (Xia)

Let $\ell \in \mathcal{R}^1$ be a maximal geodesic ray. Then

$$\text{Ent}^{\text{NA}}(\ell^{\text{NA}}) \leq \int_{-\infty}^{\tau^+} \text{Ent}^{\text{NA}}(\psi_\tau) d\tau.$$

Equality holds if ℓ is the Phong–Sturm ray of some test configuration.

What do we know?

Table 1. Comparison of functionals

Maximal geodesic rays	NA potentials	Test curves	Known facts
\mathbf{E}	E^{NA}	\mathbf{E}	All equal
\mathbf{E}_R	E_R^{NA}	\mathbf{E}_R	All equal
\mathcal{C}_k^{NA}	?	\mathcal{C}_k^{NA}	First=Third
\mathbf{Ent}	\mathbf{Ent}^{NA}	\mathbf{Ent}^{NA}	First \leq Second First \leq Third

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Thank you for your attention!