

BERGMAN KERNEL FUNCTIONS

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1. Introduction

In this article, we study the Bergman kernel functions. In section 2 we state \mathcal{D} and \mathcal{D}' be two bounded domains in \mathbb{C}^n and let g, g' be the Bergman metrics on \mathcal{D} and \mathcal{D}' respectively. Then each holomorphic diffeomorphism of \mathcal{D} onto \mathcal{D}' is an isometry. In section 3 we study Bergman kernels for classical domains computed by Hua([2],pp77-88). In section 4 we compute the Bergman kernel function for the polydisc and the balls. Consequently we have two Theorems. The one is about the Bergman Kernel Function $K(z, \zeta)$ for \mathcal{B} and the Kähler form ω of the Bergman metric on \mathcal{B} which $\mathcal{B} = \{(z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n \mid \sum_{j=1}^n |z_j|^2 < R^2\}$ be the ball with radius $R > 0$. The other is about the Bergman Kernel Function $K(z, \zeta)$ for \mathcal{D} and the Kähler form ω of the Bergman metric on \mathcal{D} which $\mathcal{D} = \{(z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n \mid |z_j| < R_j\}$ be the polydisc in \mathbb{C}^n .

2. The Bergman Metric

Let \mathcal{D} be a bounded domain in \mathbb{C}^n . Let $\mathcal{L}^2(\mathcal{D})$ be the Hilbert space of all square integrable complex functions on \mathcal{D} . Let $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$ be the set of functions in $\mathcal{L}^2(\mathcal{D})$ which are holomorphic in \mathcal{D} . The inner product $(,)$ on $\mathcal{L}^2(\mathcal{D})$ is given by

$$(2.1) \quad (f \cdot g) = \int_{\mathcal{D}} f(z) \overline{g(z)} d\mu, \quad f, g \in \mathcal{L}^2(\mathcal{D}),$$

where $d\mu$ denote the Lebesgue measure on \mathbb{R}^{2n} . We set $\|f\| = (f, f)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ for $f \in \mathcal{L}^2(\mathcal{D})$.

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THEOREM 2.1. (Helgason [1], p365): $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$ is a closed subspace of $\mathcal{L}^2(\mathcal{D})$ and hence $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$ is a separable Hilbert space with the inner product (1.1).

THEOREM 2.2. (Helgason [1], pp365-367): Let $\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \dots$ be a complete orthonormal system of the Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$. Then

- (i) The series $\mathcal{K}(z, \zeta) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \varphi_k(z) \overline{\varphi_k(\zeta)}$ converges uniformly on each compact subset of $\mathcal{D} \times \mathcal{D}$
- (ii) $\mathcal{K}(z, \zeta)$ is independent of the choice of orthonormal basis $\{\varphi_k\}$.
- (iii) For each $f \in \mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$,

$$f(z) = \int_{\mathcal{D}} \mathcal{K}(z, \zeta) f(\zeta) d\mu(\zeta)$$

According to (iii) of Theorem 2.2, $\mathcal{K}(z, \zeta)$ is called the **Bergman kernel function** for a bounded domain \mathcal{D} .

LEMMA 2.3. For each $z \in \mathcal{D}$, $\mathcal{K}(z, z) > 0$. Therefore $\log \mathcal{K}(z, z)$ is well-defined.

proof. Let $\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \dots$ be a complete orthonormal system of $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$. Then we clearly have

$$\mathcal{K}(z, z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \varphi_k(z) \overline{\varphi_k(z)} \geq 0.$$

Assume $\mathcal{K}(z_0, z_0) = 0$ for some $z_0 \in \mathcal{D}$. Since

$$\mathcal{K}(z_0, z_0) = \sum_k |\varphi_k(z_0)|^2 = 0, \text{ each } \varphi_k(z_0) = 0.$$

Thus for each $z \in \mathcal{D}$

$$\mathcal{K}(z_0, z) = \sum_k \varphi_k(z_0) \overline{\varphi_k(z)} = 0.$$

Hence for each $f \in \mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$, by (iii) of Theorem 2.2,

$$f(z_0) = \int_{\mathcal{D}} K(z_0, z) f(z) d\mu(z) = 0.$$

This is contradiction. Therefore $K(z, z) > 0$ for all $z \in \mathcal{D}$ and so $\log K(z, z)$ is well-defined. \square

Let $z \in \mathcal{D}$ and (z_1, \dots, z_n) denote the components of z . Consider the complex tensor field h on \mathcal{D} given by

$$(2.2) h = \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} \frac{\partial^2 \log K(z, z)}{\partial z_i \partial \bar{z}_j} dz_i \otimes d\bar{z}_j.$$

If \mathcal{X} is a real vector field on \mathcal{D} , that is, $\mathcal{X} = \sum_{i=1}^n (\zeta - i \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} + \bar{\zeta} \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i})$, then we have

$$h(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{X}) = \frac{1}{2K^2} \sum_{k, l=0}^{\infty} \left| \sum_{i=0}^N (\varphi_k \frac{\partial \varphi_l}{\partial z_i} - \varphi_l \frac{\partial \varphi_k}{\partial z_i}) \zeta_i \right|^2 \geq 0,$$

where $\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \dots$ is a complete orthonormal system of $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$. It is known that h is a positive definite hermitian form on $T_z(\mathcal{D}) \times T_z(\mathcal{D})$. Let g be the real part of h . Then

$$2g(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}) = h(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}) + \overline{h(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})} = h(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}) + h(\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{X}), \quad \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \in T(\mathcal{D}).$$

In addition, since

$$h(J\mathcal{X}, J\mathcal{Y}) = h(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}), g(J\mathcal{X}, J\mathcal{Y}) = g(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}) \text{ for } \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \in T(\mathcal{D}).$$

Hence J is an almost complex structure on \mathcal{D} . Hence $g = Re h$ is a Hermitian metric on \mathcal{D} .

If we set

$$\begin{aligned} \omega &= Im h = \frac{1}{\sqrt{-1}} \partial \bar{\partial} \log K(z, z) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{-1}} \sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial^2 \log K(z, z)}{\partial z_i \partial \bar{z}_j} dz_i \wedge d\bar{z}_j, \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} d\omega &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{-1}} (\partial + \bar{\partial}) \partial \bar{\partial} \log K(z, z) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{-1}} (\partial^2 \bar{\partial} - \bar{\partial} \partial^2) \log K(z, z) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since the second fundamental form ω is closed, $g = Re h$ is a Kähler metric on \mathcal{D} . This metric g is called the *Bergman metric* on \mathcal{D} .

Let φ be a holomorphic diffeomorphism of a bounded domain $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{C}^n$ onto a bounded domain $\mathcal{D}' \subset \mathbb{C}^n$. Locally we have

$$\varphi(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n) = (\omega_1(z_1, \dots, z_n), \dots, \omega_n(z_1, \dots, z_n)).$$

Then the Jacobian of φ

$$\mathcal{J}_\varphi = \frac{\partial(\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n)}{\partial(z_1, \dots, z_n)}$$

is a holomorphic function on \mathcal{D} . For the real coordinates given by $z_j = x_j + iy_j, \omega_j = u_j + iv_j$, ($1 \leq j \leq n$), we have

$$|\mathcal{J}_\varphi|^2 = \frac{\partial(u_1, v_1, \dots, u_n, v_n)}{\partial(x_1, y_1, \dots, x_n, y_n)}.$$

Let μ and μ' denote the Lebesque measure on \mathcal{D} and \mathcal{D}' respectively.

Then

$$\mu'(\varphi(\mathcal{D})) = \int_{\mathcal{D}} |\mathcal{J}_\varphi|^2 d\mu.$$

Consequently, the mapping $\tilde{\varphi} : f \mapsto (f \circ \varphi)\mathcal{J}_\varphi$ is an isometry of $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D}')$, onto $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$. Let $\{\varphi'_k\}_{k=0}^\infty$ be a complete orthonormal system of $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D}')$, and then $\{\varphi_k = \tilde{\varphi}(\varphi'_k)\}_{k=0}^\infty$ is also a complete orthonormal system of

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{D}}(z, \zeta) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \tilde{\varphi}(\varphi'_k)(z) \overline{\tilde{\varphi}(\varphi'_k)(\zeta)} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \varphi'_k(\varphi(z)) \overline{\varphi'_k(\varphi(\zeta))} \mathcal{J}_\varphi(z) \overline{\mathcal{J}_\varphi(\zeta)} \\ &= \mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{D}'}(\varphi(z), \varphi(\zeta)) \mathcal{J}_\varphi(z) \overline{\mathcal{J}_\varphi(\zeta)}, \quad z, \zeta \in \mathcal{D}. \end{aligned}$$

In particular , if $z \in \mathcal{D}$

$$(2.3) \quad \mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{D}}(z, z) = \mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{D}'}(\varphi(z), \varphi(z)) |\mathcal{J}_\varphi(z)|^2.$$

Without proof, we state

THEOREM 2.4. (Helgason [1], p370) : Let \mathcal{D} and \mathcal{D}' be two bounded domains in C^n and Let g, g' be the Bergman metrics on \mathcal{D} and \mathcal{D}' respectively. Then each holomorphic diffeomorphism of \mathcal{D} and \mathcal{D}' is an isometry.

3. Bergman Kernels for Classical Domains

In 1935, E. Carton proved that there exist only six types of irreducible homogeneous bounded symmetric domains.

Type I :

$$\mathcal{D}_1 = \{Z \in \mathcal{M}_{m,n}(\mathbb{C}) | \mathcal{I}_m - Z^t \bar{Z} > 0\}.$$

Type II :

$$\mathcal{D}_2 = \{Z \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbb{C}) | {}^t Z = Z, \mathcal{I}_n - Z \bar{Z} > 0\}.$$

Type III :

$$\mathcal{D}_3 = \{Z \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbb{C}) | Z + {}^t Z = 0, \quad \mathcal{I}_n + Z \bar{Z} > 0\}.$$

Type IV:

$$\mathcal{D}_4 = \{Z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathcal{C}_n | \quad |Z^t Z|^2 + 1 - 2Z^t Z > 0, \\ |Z^t Z| < 1\}, \quad n > 2$$

This above four bounded symmetric domains are called *classical domains*. Beside the above four types we have exceptional ones ; their dimensions are 16 and 27. Hua([2], pp77-88) computed the Bergman kernel for the above four classical domains. We write down ones.

THEOREM 3.1. (Hua[2]) : The Bergman kernel $\mathcal{K}_1, \mathcal{K}_2, \mathcal{K}_3, \mathcal{K}_4$, for $\mathcal{D}_1, \mathcal{D}_2, \mathcal{D}_3, \mathcal{D}_4$ are given respectively as follows.

(I)

$$\mathcal{K}_1(Z, Z) = \frac{\{\det(\mathcal{I}_m - Z^t \bar{Z})\}^{-(m+n)}}{\text{vol}(\mathcal{D}_1)},$$

$$\text{where } \text{vol}(\mathcal{D}_1) = \frac{1!2!\cdots(m-1)!1!2!\cdots(n-1)!}{1!2!\cdots(m+n-1)!} \pi^m n.$$

(II)

$$\mathcal{K}_2(Z, Z) = \frac{\{\det(\mathcal{I}_n - Z\bar{Z})\}^{(n+1)}}{\text{vol}(\mathcal{D}_2)},$$

where $\text{vol}(\mathcal{D}_2) = \pi^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}} \cdot \frac{2!4!\cdots(2n-2)!}{n!(n+1)!\cdots(2n-1)!}.$

(III)

$$\mathcal{K}_3(Z, Z) = \frac{\{\det(\mathcal{I}_n + Z\bar{Z})\}^{-n+1}}{\text{vol}(\mathcal{D}_3)},$$

where $\text{vol}(\mathcal{D}_3) = \pi^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}} \cdot \frac{2!4!\cdots(2n-4)!}{(n-1)!n!\cdots(2n-3)!}.$

(IV)

$$\mathcal{K}_4(Z, Z) = \frac{(1 + |Z^t Z|^2 - 2\bar{Z}^t Z)^{-n}}{\text{vol}(\mathcal{D}_4)},$$

where $\text{vol}(\mathcal{D}_4) = \frac{\pi^n}{2^{n-1}n!}$

REMARK. The problem of explicit description of the two exceptional cases is still open.

4. Bergman Kernel Functions for the Balls

In this section, we compute the Bergman kernel functions for the polydisc and the ball.

LEMMA 4.1. Let $a \in \mathcal{C}$ and $\mathcal{R} > 0$. Then we have

$$\int_{|z-a|<\mathcal{R}} (z-a)^k \overline{(z-a)^l} d\mu = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } k \neq l \\ \frac{\pi \mathcal{R}^{2k+2}}{k+1}, & \text{if } k = l. \end{cases}$$

Here k, l denote the integers and $d\mu$ denote the Lebesque measure on \mathcal{R}^2 .

Proof. We set $z - a = r e^{i\theta}$, $0 \leq r < \mathcal{R}$, $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$. Then we have

$$\int_{|z-a|<\mathcal{R}} (z-a)^k \overline{(z-a)^l} d\mu = \int_0^\mathcal{R} \int_0^{2\pi} r^{k+l+1} e^{i(k-l)} d\theta dr.$$

Thus we obtain the desired result. \square

Let $\mathcal{B} = \{z = (z_j) \in \mathcal{C}^n \mid \sum_{j=1}^n |z_j|^2 < \mathcal{R}^2\}$ be the ball radius \mathcal{R} . Now we compute the Bergman kernel function for \mathcal{B} .

LEMMA 4.2. The monomials $\varphi_{(\nu)}(z) = z_1^{\nu_1} \cdots z_n^{\nu_n}$ ($\nu_j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$) form a complete orthogonal system in $\mathcal{H}(B)$ but not normalized. Here we set $(\nu) = (\nu_1, \dots, \nu_n)$.

Proof. We first note that $\varphi_{(\nu)}(z) \neq \varphi_{(\mu)}(z)$ if and only if $\nu_k \neq \mu_k$ for some k . Say, $\mu_n \neq \nu_n$.

$$(\varphi_{(\nu)}, \varphi_{(\mu)}) = \int_{B_{n-1}} z_1^{\nu_1} \cdots z_{n-1}^{\nu_{n-1}} \bar{z}_1^{\mu_1} \cdots \bar{z}_{n-1}^{\mu_{n-1}} d\mu_{n-1} \int_{|z_n| < R} z_n^{\nu_n} \bar{z}_n^{\mu_n} d\mu_1,$$

where

$$B_{n-1} = \{(z_1, \dots, z_{n-1}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n-1} \mid \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} |z_j|^2 < R^2 - |z_n|^2\}$$

and $d\mu_1, d\mu_{n-1}$ denotes the Lebesgue measures on R^2 and $R^{2(n-1)}$ respectively. Since, by Lemma 4.1,

$$\int_{|z_n| < R} z_n^{\nu_n} \bar{z}_k^{\mu_n} d\mu_1 = 0,$$

we have $(\varphi_{(\nu)}, \varphi_{(\mu)}) = 0$ for $\nu \neq \mu$. Therefore $\{\varphi_{(\nu)}(z)\}$ forms a complete orthogonal system in $\mathcal{H}(B)$. \square

LEMMA 4.3.

$$(4.1) \quad \|\varphi_{(\nu)}\|^2 = \pi^n R^{2(n+1)} \frac{\nu_1! \cdots \nu_n!}{(\nu + n)!}, \quad \text{where } \nu = \sum_{j=1}^n \nu_j.$$

Proof. We prove this by induction on n . If $n=1$, (4.1) holds by Lemma 4.1.

$$\begin{aligned} \|\varphi_{(\nu)}(z)\|^2 &= \int_{|z_n| < R} \left(\int_{B_n} |z_1|^{2\nu_1} \cdots |z_{n-1}|^{2\nu_{n-1}} d\nu_{n-1} \right) |z_n|^{2\nu_n} d\nu_1 \\ &= \int_{|z_n| < R} \frac{\pi^{n-1} (R^2 - |z_n|^2)^{(n-1) + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \nu_j} \nu_1! \cdots \nu_n!}{(\nu_1 + \cdots + \nu_{n-1} + n - 1)!} |z_n|^{2\nu_n} d\mu_1, \end{aligned}$$

where $B_n = \{(z_1, \dots, z_{n-1}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n-1} \mid \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} |z_j|^2 < R^2 - |z_n|^2\}$.

We set $z_n = re^{i\theta}, 0 \leq r < \mathcal{R}, 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \| \varphi(\nu)(z) \|^2 \\ &= \frac{\pi^{n-1} \nu_1! \cdots \nu_{n-1}!}{(\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \nu_j + n - 1)!} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\mathcal{R}} (\mathcal{R}^2 - r^2)^{(n-1)+\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \nu_j} r^{2\nu_n} r dr d\theta \\ &= \frac{2\pi^{n-1} \nu_1! \cdots \nu_{n-1}!}{(\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \nu_j + n - 1)!} \int_0^{\mathcal{R}} (\mathcal{R}^2 - r^2)^{(n-1)+\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \nu_j} r^{2\nu_n} r dr. \end{aligned}$$

We set $r^2 = \mathcal{R}^2 t (0 \leq t < 1)$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\varphi(\nu)\|^2 &= \frac{2\pi^n \nu_1! \cdots \nu_{n-1}!}{(\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \nu_j + n - 1)!} \int_0^1 (1-t)^{(n-1)+\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \nu_j} \mathcal{R}^{2(\nu+n)} \frac{t^{\nu_n}}{2} dt \\ &= \pi^n \mathcal{R}^{2(\nu+n)} \frac{\nu_1! \cdots \nu_{n-1}!}{(\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \nu_j + n - 1)!} \int_0^1 (1-t)^{(n-1)+\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \nu_j} t^{\nu_n} dt \\ &= \pi^n \mathcal{R}^{2(\nu+n)} \frac{\nu_1! \cdots \nu_{n-1}!}{(\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \nu_j + n - 1)!} \mathcal{B}(\nu_n + 1, \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \nu_j + n) \\ &= \pi^n \mathcal{R}^{2(\nu+n)} \frac{\nu_1! \cdots \nu_{n-1}!}{(\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \nu_j + n - 1)!} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(\nu_n + 1) \Gamma(\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \nu_j + n)}{\Gamma(\nu + n)} \\ &= \pi^n \mathcal{R}^{2(\nu+n)} \frac{\nu_1! \cdots \nu_n!}{(\nu + n)!}. \end{aligned}$$

Here $\mathcal{B}(u, v)$ is the beta function and we used the identity

$$\mathcal{B}(u, v) = \frac{\Gamma(u)\Gamma(v)}{\Gamma(u+v)},$$

where $\Gamma(u)$ denotes the Gamma function (see appendix). \square

LEMMA 4.4. *Let $f(z) = \left(1 - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n z_j}{\mathcal{R}^2}\right)^{-(n+1)}$. Then the Laurent Series of $f(z)$ is given by*

$$f(z) = \sum_{\alpha} c_{\alpha} z^{\alpha} = \sum_{\alpha} c_{(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)} z_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots z_n^{\alpha_n},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} c_\alpha &= \frac{\mathcal{D}^\alpha f)(0)}{\alpha!} \\ &= \frac{(n+\alpha)}{(\mathcal{R}^{2\alpha} \cdot n!) \alpha_1! \cdots \alpha_n!}, \quad \alpha = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Obvious.

LEMMA 4.5. *The Bergman Kernel Function $\mathcal{K}(z, \zeta)$ is given by*

$$\mathcal{K}(z, \zeta) = \frac{n! \mathcal{R}^2}{\pi^n} (\mathcal{R}^2 - \sum_{j=1}^n z_j \overline{\zeta_j})^{-(n+1)}.$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{K}(z, \zeta) &= \sum_{\nu} \|\varphi_{(\nu)}\|^2 \varphi_{(\nu)}(z) \overline{\varphi_{(\nu)}(\zeta)} \\ &= \sum_{\nu} \frac{(\nu+n)!}{\pi^n \mathcal{R}^{2(n+\nu)} \nu_1! \cdots \nu_n!} (z_1 \overline{\zeta_1})^{\nu_1} \cdots (z_n \overline{\zeta_n})^{\nu_n}, \text{ by Lemma 4.3} \\ &= \frac{n!}{\pi^n \mathcal{R}^{2n}} \sum_{\nu} \frac{(\nu+n)!}{(\mathcal{R}^{2\nu} n!) \nu_1! \cdots \nu_n!} (z_1 \overline{\zeta_1})^{\nu_1} \cdots (z_n \overline{\zeta_n})^{\nu_n} \\ &= \frac{n!}{\pi^n \mathcal{R}^{2n}} \left(1 - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n z_j \overline{\zeta_j}}{\mathcal{R}^2} \right)^{-(n+1)} \text{ by Lemma 4.4} \\ &= \frac{n! \mathcal{R}^2}{\pi^n} (\mathcal{R}^2 - \sum_{j=1}^n z_j \overline{\zeta_j})^{-(n+1)}. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 4.6.

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log \mathcal{K}(z, z)}{\partial z_i \partial \bar{z}_j} = (n+1) \frac{\bar{z}_i z_j + \delta_{ij} (\mathcal{R}^2 - \sum_{k=1}^n |z_k|^2)}{(\mathcal{R}^2 - \sum_{k=1}^n |z_k|^2)^2}.$$

Proof. Since

$$\log K(z, z) = \log \frac{n! \mathcal{R}^2}{\pi^n} - (n+1) \log(\mathcal{R}^2 - \sum_{j=1}^n z_j \bar{z}_j),$$

$$\frac{\partial \log K(z, z)}{\partial z_i \partial \bar{z}_j} = \frac{(n+1)z_j}{\mathcal{R}^2 - \sum_{j=1}^n |z_j|^2}.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 \log K(z, z)}{\partial z_i \partial \bar{z}_j} &= (n+1) \frac{\bar{z}_j z_j}{(\mathcal{R}^2 - \sum_{j=1}^n |z_j|^2)^2} \quad \text{if } i \neq j, \\ \frac{\partial^2 \log K(z, z)}{\partial z_i \partial \bar{z}_i} &= (n+1) \frac{\bar{z}_i z_i + (\mathcal{R}^2 - \sum_{j=1}^n |z_j|^2)}{(\mathcal{R}^2 - \sum_{j=1}^n |z_j|^2)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we obtain the desired result. \square

Let $\mathcal{D} = \{(z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathcal{C}^n \mid |z_j| < \mathcal{R}_j\} (\mathcal{R}_j > 0)$ be a polydisc in \mathcal{C}^n . Let $\mathcal{D}_j = \{z \in \mathcal{C} \mid |z| < \mathcal{R}_j\} (1 \leq j \leq n)$. Then $\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{D}_1 \times \dots \times \mathcal{D}_n$. By Lemma 4.5, the Bergman Kernel Function $K_j(z, \zeta)$ for \mathcal{D}_j is given by

$$K_j(z, \zeta) = \frac{\mathcal{R}_j^2}{\pi} (\mathcal{R}_j^2 - z_j \bar{\zeta})^{-2}, \quad (z, \zeta) \in \mathcal{D}_j \times \mathcal{D}_j.$$

Thus the Bergman Kernel Function $K(z, \zeta)$ for \mathcal{D} is

$$\begin{aligned} K(z, \zeta) &= \prod_{j=1}^n K_j(z_j, \zeta_j) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi^n} \prod_{j=1}^n \mathcal{R}_j^2 (\mathcal{R}_j^2 - z_j \bar{\zeta}_j)^{-2}, \end{aligned}$$

where $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathcal{D}$ and $\zeta = (\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n) \in \mathcal{D}$. Since

$$\log K(z, z) = -\log \pi^n + \sum_{j=1}^n \log \mathcal{R}_j^2 - 2 \sum_{j=1}^n \log(\mathcal{R}_j^2 - z_j \bar{z}_j),$$

we have

$$\frac{\partial \log K(z, z)}{\partial \bar{z}_j} = \frac{2z_j}{\mathcal{R}^2 - z_j \bar{z}_j}$$

Thus

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log \mathcal{K}(z, z)}{\partial z_j \partial \bar{z}_j} = 0 \quad \text{if } i \neq j$$

and

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log \mathcal{K}(z, z)}{\partial z_j \partial \bar{z}_j} = \frac{2\mathcal{R}_j^2}{\mathcal{R}_j^2 - |z_j|^2}.$$

In summary, we have

THEOREM 4.7. Let $\mathcal{B} = \{(z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathcal{C}^n \mid \sum_{j=1}^n |z_j|^2 < \mathcal{R}^2\}$ be the ball with radius $\mathcal{R} > 0$. Then the Bergman Kernel Function $\mathcal{K}(z, \zeta)$ for \mathcal{B} is given by

$$\mathcal{K}(z, \zeta) = \frac{n! \mathcal{R}^n}{\pi^n} (\mathcal{R}^2 - \sum_{j=1}^n z_j \bar{\zeta}_j)^{-(n+1)}, \quad (z, \zeta) \in \mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{B}.$$

The Kähler form ω of the Bergman metric on \mathcal{B} is

$$\omega = \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{-1}} \sum_{i,j} \frac{\bar{z}_i z_j + \delta_{ij}(\mathcal{R}^2 - \sum_{k=1}^n |z_k|^2)}{(\mathcal{R}^2 - \sum_{k=1}^n |z_k|^2)^2} dz_i \wedge d\bar{z}_j.$$

THEOREM 4.8. Let $\mathcal{D} = \{(z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathcal{C}^n \mid |z_j| < \mathcal{R}_j\}$ be the polydisc in \mathcal{C}^n . Then the Bergman Kernel Function $\mathcal{K}(z, \zeta)$ for \mathcal{D} is given by

$$\mathcal{K}(z, \zeta) = \frac{1}{\pi^n} \prod_{j=1}^n \mathcal{R}_j^2 (\mathcal{R}_j^2 - z_j \bar{\zeta}_j)^{-2},$$

where $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathcal{D}$ and $\zeta = (\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n) \in \mathcal{D}$. The Kähler form ω of the Bergman metric on \mathcal{D} is

$$\omega = \frac{2}{\sqrt{-1}} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{z_j}{\mathcal{R}_j - z_j \bar{z}_j} dz_j \wedge d\bar{z}_j.$$

Appendix. The gamma function $\Gamma(u)$ is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(u) &= \int_0^\infty x^{u-1} \exp(-x) dx \\ &= 2^{1-u} \int_0^\infty s^{2u-1} \exp(-\frac{s^2}{2}) ds, \quad u > 0. \end{aligned}$$

the beta function $B(u, v)$ is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} B(u, v) &= 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\cos \theta)^{2u-1} (\sin \theta)^{2v-1} d\theta, \\ &= \int_0^1 z^{u-1} (1-z)^{v-1} dz, \quad u > 0, v > 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(u)\Gamma(v) &= 2^{2-u-v} \int_0^\infty s^{2u-1} \exp(-\frac{s^2}{2}) ds \int_0^\infty t^{2v-1} \exp(-\frac{t^2}{2}) dt \\ &= 2^{2-u-v} \int_0^\infty r^{2(u+v)-1} \exp(-\frac{r^2}{2}) dr \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\cos \theta)^{2u-1} (\sin \theta)^{2v-1} d\theta \\ &= \Gamma(u+v)B(u, v). \end{aligned}$$

Thus we obtain

$$B(u, v) = \frac{\Gamma(u)\Gamma(v)}{\Gamma(u+v)}, \quad u > 0, v > 0.$$

Now we compute the volume α_n of the unit n-ball B in \mathcal{R}^n ,

$$B = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathcal{R}^n \mid \sum_{j=1}^n x_j^2 < 1\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_n &= \int_B d\mu_n \\ &= \int_{x_n^2 \leq 1} \left(\int_{x_1^2 + \dots + x_{n-1}^2 \leq 1-x_n^2} d\mu_{n-1} \right) d\mu \\ &= \int_{x_n^2 \leq 1} (1-x_n^2)^{\frac{n-1}{2}} \alpha_{n-1} d\mu_1 \\ &= 2\alpha_{n-1} \int_0^1 (1-u^2)^{\frac{n-1}{2}} du. \end{aligned}$$

We set $u = \sqrt{z}$, and then $du = \frac{dz}{2\sqrt{z}}$.

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \int_0^1 (1-u^2)^{\frac{n-1}{2}} du &= \int_0^1 z^{-\frac{1}{2}} (1-z)^{\frac{n-1}{2}} dz \\ &= \mathcal{B}\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{n+1}{2}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\alpha_n = \alpha_{n-1} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})\Gamma(\frac{n+1}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{n}{2}+1)}.$$

Moreover, $\alpha_1 = 2$. By induction on n,

$$\alpha_n = \frac{\pi^{\frac{n}{2}}}{(\frac{n}{2})\Gamma(\frac{n}{2})}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

If $n = 2l$ is even, $\alpha_{2l} = \frac{\pi^l}{l!}$.

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