

Ref : ① Popa, Positivity for Hodge modules & Geometric applications

② Schnell, An overview of Mihiko Saito's theory of Mixed Hodge modules

Motivation -

X/\mathbb{C} smooth proj variety

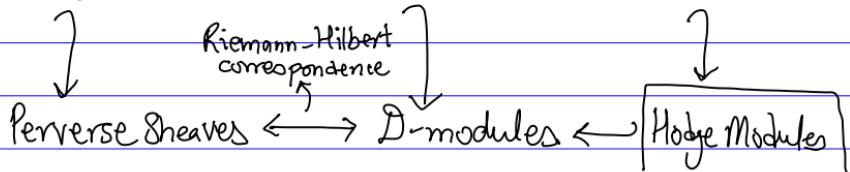
We have local systems V/X , which we can study.

But when non-smooth maps show up, we cannot remain in the world of local systems.

Sheaf of flat sections $\longleftrightarrow E$

$V \longmapsto V \otimes \mathcal{O}_X$

Constr. \leftarrow Loc Sys on $X \leftrightarrow$ V.b with flat conn. \leftarrow VHS
sheared



Among {V.b- with flat connection}, we have Variations of Hodge Structure.
 $VHS = (\mathbb{Q})$ -local system V with a filtration by holomorphic sub bundles satisfying some properties

Goal : (A) Generalize VHS to possibly singular situations.
(B) Provide unifying context for the following -

- (1) Positivity : $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$, $f_* \omega$ has positivity properties
- (2) Vanishing : analogous to Kodaira Vanishing.
- (3) Decomposition : • Leray spectral seq degenerates

What is a Hodge Module?

\mathcal{D}_X = Sheaf of differential operators

= \mathcal{O}_X -Subalgebra of $\text{End}_{\mathcal{O}}(\mathcal{O}_X)$ generated by derivations of \mathcal{O}_X

A left/right \mathcal{D} -module is a left/right module over \mathcal{D}_X :

Notation: $F_k \mathcal{D}_X = \text{Order} \leq k \text{ diff ops.}$

A filtered \mathcal{D} -module M has an increasing filtration $F_{\cdot}M$ such that $F_k \mathcal{D}_X F_l M \subset F_{k+l} M$.

e.g. 1) $M = \mathcal{O}_X$. $F_k \mathcal{O}_X = \begin{cases} 0 & k < 0 \\ \mathcal{O}_X & k \geq 0. \end{cases}$
↑
trivial filtration.

2) E a flat vector bundle. The flatness implies that we get an action of \mathcal{D}_X on E .

Why? Action of derivations is given by the connection
 $T_x \otimes E \xrightarrow{\nabla} E$

$$\text{Flatness} \Rightarrow [\nabla_x, \nabla_y] = \nabla_{[x,y]}$$

\Rightarrow Action extends to an algebra action of \mathcal{D}_X .

3) ω_X is a right \mathcal{D}_X -module

$$\begin{aligned} \omega \cdot \xi &= -L_{\xi} \omega \\ &= -d(i_{\xi} \omega) \end{aligned}$$

Allows us to go from left \leftrightarrow right modules by taking $\text{Hom}(\omega_X, -)$.

Let M be a filtered \mathcal{D} -module. We get a \mathbb{C} -linear complex

$$DR(M) = [M \rightarrow M \otimes \Omega^1 \rightarrow M \otimes \Omega^2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow M \otimes \Omega^n]$$

↪ complex of abelian groups whose coh is constr.

Derived category of complexes whose coh is constr.

Turns out that this is a perverse sheaf.

We have a filtration —

$$DR(M) = [M \rightarrow M \otimes \Omega^1 \rightarrow M \otimes \Omega^2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow M \otimes \Omega^n]$$

↓

$$F_k DR(M) = [F_k M \rightarrow F_k M \otimes \Omega^1 \rightarrow \dots]$$

The associated spcc.seq. is the Hodge \rightarrow DeRham seq.

In particular, $DR(\mathcal{O}_X) \cong \mathbb{P}[n]$.

A pure polarizable Hodge module of weight $\underline{\lambda}$ consists of —

(1) Filtered \mathcal{D} -module M satisfying

(2) \mathbb{Q} -perverse sheaf P such that

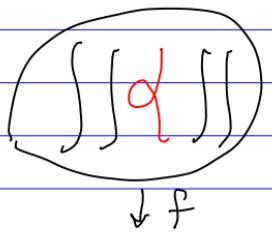
$$P \underset{\mathbb{Q}}{\otimes} \mathbb{C} \xrightarrow{\sim} DR(M).$$

The main requirement is inductive :

* if $\dim \text{supp } M = 0$, then this should be a pure polarizable Hodge structure.

* inductively, for any local holomorphic function f , the nearby and vanishing cycles of M wrt f must be a pure polarizable Hodge module.

These are supported
on the special
fiber.



Two ways to think about this:

- 1) A Hodge module is an extra gadget on a perverse sheaf such that any way of producing a vector space from a perverse sheaf now produces a Hodge structure
- 2) A very special type of D-module that has a filtration & \mathbb{Q} -structure given by a perverse sheaf.

e.g. $M = \mathbb{Q}_X$. $DR(\mathbb{Q}_X) = \mathbb{Q}_X[n]$

$$\cup$$
$$\mathbb{Q}_X[n]$$
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} H \\ \mathbb{Q}_X[n] \\ \uparrow \end{array} \right\}$$

a Hodge module.

■ True facts & applications

1) Structure theorem - $Z \subset X$ irreducible.

(a) A pure polarizable Hodge structure on an open $U \subset Z$ extends uniquely to a ppHM module on Z .

Analogous to

Every local system V on U extending to $IC_Z(V)$ on Z .

(b) Every ppHM on Z with strict support Z is obtained from a ppVHS on some open $U \subset Z$ as above.

2) Stability thm: $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$; X, Y smooth.

& M a ppHM on X . Then

$H^i(f_* M)$ underlies a ppHM and $f_* M$ is strict.

e.g. $X \xrightarrow{f} pt$. Then $R^i f_*(M) = H^{n-i}(X, \mathbb{C})$

$M = \mathbb{Q}_X^H[n]$ Strict \Rightarrow Degeneration of Hodge to de Rham.

3) Decomposition thm $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$; X, Y sm. proj.
 M a ppHM on X . Then.
 $f_* M \cong \bigoplus \mathcal{H}^i(f_* M)[-i]$

Consequence: $M = \mathbb{Q}_X^H[n]$.

Then one of the filtered pieces of $f_* M$ is $Rf_* \omega$.

We then recover a theorem of Kollar:

$$Rf_* \omega \cong \bigoplus R^i f_* \omega[-i]$$

a) Vanishing — Mega version of Kodaira Vanishing
 L ample on X . M ppHM on X .

Then

$$H^i(X, gr_k^F DR(M) \otimes L) = 0 \text{ for } i > 0$$

For $M = \mathbb{Q}_X^H[n]$, we get

$$H^q(X, \mathcal{L}^p \otimes L) = 0 \text{ for } p+q > n.$$

For $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ and $M = f_* \mathbb{Q}_X^H[n]$

Then Vanishing above \Rightarrow Kollar vanishing

$$H^i(Y, R^j f_* \omega_X \otimes L) = 0$$

$\forall j, \forall i > 0$

Applications of Vanishing/structure theorems to geometry

① Generic vanishing.

X sm proj; F a sheaf.

Define $V^i(F) = \{L \in \text{Pic}^0 X \mid h^i(X, F \otimes L) \neq 0\}$.

Thm: $\text{codim } V^i(\Omega_X) \geq i - \dim \alpha(X)$, where
 $\alpha: X \rightarrow \text{alb}(X)$ is the map to albanese.

Green-Lazarsfeld proved this using deformation theory of sections + Hodge theory.

Hacon proved this by Fourier-Mukai transforms and Kollar decomp+vanishing.

With Hodge-modules, we can do much more;
↪ only the ones like \mathbb{Q}_X^κ etc.

$$\text{codim}(V^i(\Omega^p)) \geq (i+p-n) + n - \dim \alpha(X).$$