

# Kähler-Einstein toric submanifolds of the projective space

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# Embeddings into complex space forms

Let  $(X, \omega)$  be a Kähler manifold of dimension  $n \geq 1$ .

The basic examples (*complex space forms*):

- $(\mathbb{H}^n, \omega_{\text{hyp}})$  hyperbolic space
- $(\mathbb{E}^n, \omega_{\text{eucl}})$  Euclidean space
- $(\mathbb{P}^n, \omega_{\text{FS}})$  projective space

## Question

*Can  $(X, \omega)$  be embedded into a given complex space form?*

The same question for

- differentiable manifolds: yes (Whitney 1936)
- Riemannian manifolds: yes (Nash 1956)

For instance let  $E = \mathbb{C}/\Lambda$  an elliptic curve with its flat metric. Can  $E$  be isometrically embedded into a  $\mathbb{P}^N$ ?

## Definition

The Kähler manifold  $(X, \omega)$  is *projectively induced* if there exists  $\varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^N$  s.t.  $\omega = \varphi^* \omega_{\text{FS}}$ .

## Theorem (Calabi 1950)

*Let  $(X, \omega)$  be a curve with constant scalar curvature that is projectively induced. Then  $(X, \omega) \simeq (\mathbb{P}^1, k \omega_{\text{FS}})$ .*

Indeed  $(\mathbb{P}^1, k \omega_{\text{FS}})$  is induced by the Veronese map

$$\mathbb{P}^1 \longrightarrow \mathbb{P}^k, \quad (z_0 : z_1) \longmapsto \left( \binom{k}{j}^{1/2} z_0^{k-j} z_1^j \right)_j$$

# Kähler-Einstein manifolds

We say that  $(X, \omega)$  is *Kähler-Einstein* if there exists  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.

$$\text{Ric}(\omega) = \lambda \omega \quad (\text{Ricci form})$$

## Example

$(\mathbb{P}^n, \omega_{\text{FS}})$  is KE with  $\lambda = n + 1$ .

Assume  $X$  compact and let  $K_X$  be its *canonical line bundle*.

- If  $\lambda < 0$  then  $K_X$  is ample (*canonically polarized*)
- If  $\lambda = 0$  then  $K_X$  is trivial (*Calabi-Yau*)
- If  $\lambda > 0$  then  $-K_X$  is ample (*Fano*)

# Projectively induced KE manifolds

## Theorem (Umehara 1988)

*Let  $(X, \omega)$  be a KE manifold with  $\varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{H}^N$  (resp.  $\varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{E}^N$ ) s.t.  $\omega = \varphi^* \omega_{\text{hyp}}$  (resp.  $\omega = \varphi^* \omega_{\text{eucl}}$ ). Then  $\varphi(X)$  is totally geodesic.*

## Conjecture

*Let  $(X, \omega)$  be a projectively induced KE manifold. Then  $(X, \omega)$  is a homogeneous space.*

Known cases:

- $N = n + 1$  (Chern 1967)
- $N = n + 2$  (Tsukada 1986)

The homogeneous projectively induced KE manifolds are classified (Takeuchi 1978)

# Toric manifolds

Let  $(X, \omega)$  be a *toric* Kähler manifold:

- $(\mathbb{C}^\times)^n$  acts on  $X$  with a dense orbit  $X_0 \simeq (\mathbb{C}^\times)^n$
- $\omega$  is invariant under the action of  $(S^1)^n$

## Conjecture

Let  $(X, \omega)$  be a projectively induced KE toric Fano manifold. Then

$$(X, \omega) \simeq \left( \prod_{i=1}^r \mathbb{P}^{n_i}, \bigoplus_{i=1}^r k_i \operatorname{pr}_i^* \omega_{FS} \right)$$

Known (under hypothesis) for  $n \leq 4$  using the classification of Fano polytopes (Arezzo, Loi and Zuddas 2012).

# KE metrics on toric manifolds

Let  $X$  be a toric Fano manifold. Its *anticanonical polytope*

$$\Delta_{-K_X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$$

is a unimodular reflexive polytope. Up to a translation

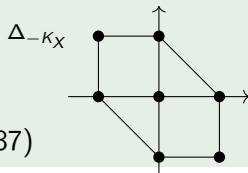
$$\Delta_{-K_X}^\circ \cap \mathbb{Z}^n = \{0\}.$$

Theorem (Wang and Zhu 2004)

$X$  admits a KE metric iff the barycenter of  $\Delta_{-K_X}$  vanishes.

Example

Let  $X$  be the blow up of  $\mathbb{P}^2$  at  $(1 : 0 : 0)$ ,  $(0 : 1 : 0)$  and  $(0 : 0 : 1)$ .



It admits a KE metric (Tian and Yau 1987)

# Centrally symmetric toric manifolds

A Fano toric manifold  $X$  is *centrally symmetric* if the inversion

$$(\mathbb{C}^\times)^n \longrightarrow (\mathbb{C}^\times)^n, \quad x \longmapsto x^{-1}$$

extends to a map  $X \rightarrow X$ , or equivalently if  $\Delta_{-K_X}$  is symmetric with respect to  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

## Theorem (DS 2025)

*Let  $X$  be a centrally symmetric toric Fano manifold admitting a projectively induced KE metric. Then  $X \simeq (\mathbb{P}^1)^n$ .*

# Toric potentials

Let  $(X, \omega)$  be a toric Kähler manifold and  $\varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^N$  a toric map s.t.  $\omega = \varphi^* \omega_{\text{FS}}$ . It writes down as

$$\varphi(x) = (\alpha_0 x^{m_0} : \cdots : \alpha_N x^{m_N})$$

with  $\alpha_j \in \mathbb{C}^\times$  and  $m_j \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ .

The *toric potential* of  $\omega$  is the  $n$ -variate Laurent polynomial

$$p_\varphi = \sum_{j=0}^N |\alpha_j|^2 x^{m_j} \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}[x^{\pm 1}]$$

Setting  $f_\varphi(u + iv) = \log(p_\varphi)(e^{2u})$  we have

$$\omega = i\partial\bar{\partial}f_\varphi \quad \text{on } \mathbb{C}^n/2\pi\mathbb{Z}^n \simeq (\mathbb{C}^\times)^n$$

# The algebraic Einstein condition

Let  $D_i = x_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , and for  $p \in \mathbb{R}[x^{\pm 1}]$  set

$$\mu(p) = p^{n+1} \det(D^2 \log(p)) \in \mathbb{R}[x^{\pm 1}]$$

with  $D^2 \log(p) = (D_i D_j \log(p))_{i,j}$  the  $D$ -Hessian matrix of  $\log(p)$ .

## Proposition (DS 25)

*A Fano toric manifold  $X$  admits a projectively induced KE metric iff there exists  $p \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}[x^{\pm 1}]$  s.t.*

$$\text{NP}(p) = \Delta_{-K_X} \quad \text{and} \quad \mu(p) = p^n$$

The equation  $\mu(p) = p^n$  boils down to a system over  $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$  with

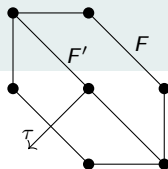
$\#(n\Delta_{-K_X} \cap \mathbb{Z}^n)$  equations in  $\#(\Delta_{-K_X} \cap \mathbb{Z}^n)$  variables

# The toric adjunction formula

## Theorem (DS 25)

Let  $p \in \mathbb{R}[x^{\pm 1}] \setminus \{0\}$  and  $\tau$  the inner normal direction to a facet of  $\text{NP}(p)$ . Then

$$\text{init}_{\tau}(\mu(p)) = \mu(\text{init}_{\tau}(p)) \cdot p|_{F'_{\tau}}$$



## Definition

A Laurent polynomial  $p$  satisfies the *generalized Einstein condition* if

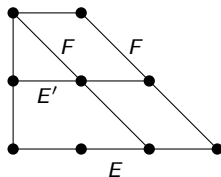
$$\mu(p) \mid p^{\kappa} \quad \text{for some } \kappa \geq 0$$

GEC is hereditary on initial parts: if  $p$  satisfies GEC so does  $\text{init}_{\tau}(p)$ .

## Proposition (DS 25)

Let  $p \in \mathbb{C}[x_1^{\pm 1}, x_2^{\pm 1}]$  satisfying GEC. Then for every pair of edges  $E, F$  of  $\text{NP}(p)$  and their adjacent segments  $E', F'$  we have

$$\frac{\ell(F')}{\ell(F)} = \frac{\ell(E')}{\ell(E)} \quad (\text{lattice length})$$



$$\frac{\ell(E')}{\ell(E)} = \frac{2}{3} \neq 1 = \frac{\ell(F')}{\ell(F)}$$

# A three-dimensional toric Fano

Set

$$\Delta = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid -1 \leq x_1, x_2, -1 \leq x_3 \leq 1, x_2 - x_3 \leq 1\}$$

It is the only “new” smooth reflexive polytope in dimension 3 whose associated toric Fano manifold admits a KE metric.



The trapezoid is a face of  $\Delta$  and so this KE metric is not projectively induced.

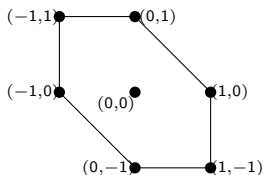
# The hexagon

## Proposition (DS 25)

Let

$$p = \alpha_0 x_2^{-1} + \alpha_1 x_1 x_2^{-1} + \alpha_2 x_1^{-1} + \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 x_1 + \alpha_5 x_1^{-1} x_2 + \alpha_6 x_2$$

with  $\alpha_j \neq 0$  for all  $j \neq 3$ . Then  $p$  does not satisfy GEC.



A toric Fano manifold  $X$  is centrally symmetric iff

$$X \simeq \prod_{i=1}^r X_i$$

with  $X_i$  equal to either  $\mathbb{P}^1$  or a *del Pezzo* toric manifold  $V_k$   
(Klyachko and Voskrenskij 1987)

Now if  $X$  admits a projectively induced KE metric then no  $V_k$  can appear, because otherwise the hexagon is a face of  $\Delta_{-K_X}$ .

Hence

$$X \simeq (\mathbb{P}^1)^n$$

# Other applications

The conjecture is verified for all *known* toric Fanos, including

- Batyrev-Selivanova's families of symmetric toric Fano manifolds
- Nill and Paffenholz non-symmetric examples

## Question

*Let  $X$  be a toric Fano that is not a product of projective spaces. Does  $\Delta_{-K_X}$  have a 2-dimensional face that is not a triangle or a rectangle?*

Bon anniversaire André!