#### **Dual Kähler metrics**

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Up to homotheties, (M,g) is biholomorphically isometric to a bounded symmetric domain  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  centred at the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^n$  equipped with the Kähler metric  $g_\Omega$  whose associated Kähler form is

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Morever,  $\mathbb{C}^n$  can be compactified to a compact Kähler manifold  $(\Omega^*, g_{\Omega^*})$ , the **compact dual of**  $(\Omega, g_{\Omega})$ , with Kähler form  $\omega_{\Omega^*}$  such that

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• for all  $p \in \Omega^*$  and  $v \in T_p\Omega^*$  there exists a totally geodesic Kähler embedding of the dual polydisk  $(\Delta^r)^* := \mathbb{C}P^1 \times \cdots \times \mathbb{C}P^1$ (*r*-times) passing through *p* and tangent to *v* (dual polydisk theorem). •  $(\Omega, \omega_{\Omega})$  is a symplectic dual of  $(\Omega^*, \omega_{\Omega^*})$ , i.e. there exists a smooth diffeomorphism

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• Let (g, X) be a **KRS**<sup>\*</sup> on a complex manifold M. If there exists a holomorphic isometry of (M, g) into  $(\Omega, g_{\Omega})$  (resp.  $(\Omega^*, g_{\Omega^*})$ , then g is KE (L. R. Mossa, PAMS 2023).

 $^{*}Ric_{g} = \lambda \ g + L_{X}g$ , where X is the real part of a holomorphic vector field.

• let  $\Omega$  be a bounded symmetric domain of rank  $\geq$  2 and let

$$f: (\mathbb{C}H^n, g_{hyp}) \to (\Omega, g_{\Omega}) \subset \mathbb{C}^n \xrightarrow{\mathsf{Borel}} \Omega^* \xrightarrow{BW} \mathbb{C}P^N$$

be a holomorphic isometric embedding. Then  $f(\mathbb{C}H^n)$  is an irreducible component of  $BW^{-1}(H) \cap \Omega$  with H hyperplane of  $\mathbb{C}P^N$ (S. T. Chan, N. Mok, Math. Z. 2017)

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•  $(\Omega, g_{\Omega})$  and  $(\Omega^*, g_{\Omega^*})$  are not **relatives**, *i.e.* they do not share a common non trivial Kähler submanifold (A. J. Di Scala, L. , Ann. Sc. Norm. Super. Pisa 2010) • any holomorphic isometry  $(\Omega_1, g_{\Omega_1}) \rightarrow (\Omega_2, g_{\Omega_2})$  between bounded symmetric domains with  $\Omega_1$  irreducible of rank  $\geq 2$  is totally geodesic (N. Mok, J. Eur. Math. Soc. 2012) **Balanced metrics in a nutshell** 

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$$\langle s,t\rangle_{\alpha} = \int_{M} h_{\alpha}(s,t) \frac{\omega^{n}}{n!}, s,t \in H^{0}(L^{\otimes \alpha}), \ \operatorname{Ric}(h_{\alpha}) = \alpha \omega$$

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**Remark** A CH domain is homogeneous iff  $\Omega$  has rank one, i.e.  $\Omega = \mathbb{C}H^n$  is the unit ball in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  and  $\mu = 1$ . In this case  $M_{\Omega,\mu} = \mathbb{C}H^{n+1}$  and  $g_{\Omega,\mu} = g_{hyp}$ .

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