

Mini-workshop in complex dynamics

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Lecture 1 :

Surface dynamics and the
Riemann-Zariski space

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X compact Kähler surface

$f: X \dashrightarrow X$ meromorphic, dominant

Want: construct interesting invariant objects (currents, measures...)

First step: find invariant cohomology classes.

Problem: $f^{n*} \neq f^{*n}$ on cohomology in general

Approaches:

1) Try to find bimeromorphic model $X' \cong X$ where problem is not present.

E.g. $X' = X$ blown up finitely many times

2) Study dynamics on the Riemann-Zariski space of X : the "limit of all blowups of X "

Focus on 2nd approach in this talk

Tool more interesting than result!

Cohomology classes on compact Kähler surfaces

X compact Kähler surface

$$H^{1,1}(X) = \{ \bar{\partial}\text{-closed } (1,1)\text{-forms} \} / \{ \bar{\partial}\text{-exact } (1,1)\text{-forms} \}$$

$$H_{\mathbb{R}}^{1,1}(X) = H^{1,1}(X) \cap H^2(X, \mathbb{R})$$

$$H_{\mathbb{Z}}^{1,1}(X) = H^{1,1}(X) \cap H^2(X, \mathbb{Z})$$

Intersection product:

$$H_{\mathbb{R}}^{1,1}(X) \times H_{\mathbb{R}}^{1,1}(X) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$(\alpha, \beta) \longmapsto \int_X \alpha \wedge \beta =: (\alpha \cdot \beta)$$

Hodge Index Thm: Inters. form has index $(1, h^{1,1}(X) - 1)$

Cor: If $(\alpha \cdot \alpha) \geq 0$, $(\beta \cdot \beta) \geq 0$ then

$$(\alpha \cdot \beta)^2 \geq (\alpha \cdot \alpha)(\beta \cdot \beta)$$

with equality iff α, β proportional.

Pf: If α, β not proportional, int. form can't be pos. semidefinite on $\mathbb{R}\alpha + \mathbb{R}\beta$ \square

Positivity

T positive closed $(1,1)$ -current on $X \Rightarrow$

T induces class $\{T\} \in H_{\mathbb{R}}^{1,1}(X)$

Special case: $T = [C]$ current of integration.

Def: $\alpha \in H_{\mathbb{R}}^{1,1}(X)$ psef (pseudoeffective) if $\alpha = \{T\}$.

write $H_{\text{psef}}^{1,1}(X) \subseteq H_{\mathbb{R}}^{1,1}(X)$ psef cone

Def: $\alpha \geq \beta \Leftrightarrow \alpha - \beta$ psef.

NB: $\alpha \geq \beta, \beta \geq \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha = \beta$!

Def: $\alpha \in H_{\mathbb{R}}^{1,1}(X)$ Kähler class if $\alpha = [\omega]$, ω K. form

Def: $\alpha \in H_{\mathbb{R}}^{1,1}(X)$ nef if $(\alpha \cdot \beta) \geq 0 \forall \beta$ psef

$\leadsto H_{\text{nef}}^{1,1}(X) \subseteq H_{\mathbb{R}}^{1,1}(X)$ nef cone

Prop: (i) nef \Rightarrow psef

(ii) $H_{\text{nef}}^{1,1}, H_{\text{psef}}^{1,1}$ are dual cones

(iii) $H_{\text{nef}}^{1,1}(X) = \overline{H_{\text{Kähler}}^{1,1}(X)}$

Def: α big + nef if α nef and $(\alpha \cdot \alpha) > 0$.

Holomorphic mappings

$f: X \rightarrow X$ holo, surjective

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$f^*: H_{\mathbb{R}}^{n,1}(X) \ni$	(forms)	} preserve pset, nef classes
$f_*: H_{\mathbb{R}}^{n,1}(X) \ni$	(currents)	

$$(f_* \alpha \cdot \beta) = (\alpha \cdot f^* \beta)$$

$$f_* f^* \beta = \lambda_2 \cdot \beta$$

$\lambda_2 = \text{top. deg of } f$

$\lambda_1 := \text{spectral radius of } f^* \text{ (or } f_*) \text{ on } H_{\mathbb{R}}^{n,1}(X).$

$$\lambda_1^2 \geq \lambda_2$$

Thm A [Diller-Favre '01] There exist nef eigenclasses $\Theta_*, \Theta^* \in H_{\mathbb{R}}^{n,1}(X)$ for f_*, f^* :

$$f_* \Theta_* = \lambda_1 \Theta_*, \quad f^* \Theta^* = \lambda_1 \Theta^*.$$

Thm B [D-F] If $\lambda_1^2 > \lambda_2$ then Θ_*, Θ^* are unique up to scaling. Moreover,

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_1^{-n} f_*^n \alpha = \text{const} \cdot \Theta_* + O\left(\left(\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1^2}\right)^{n/2}\right) \\ \lambda_1^{-n} f_*^n \alpha = \text{const} \cdot \Theta_* + O\left(\left(\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1^2}\right)^{n/2}\right) \end{cases} \quad n \rightarrow \infty$$

for any $\alpha \in H_{\mathbb{R}}^{n,1}(X)$

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In fact, Thm A, B reduce to linear algebra:
a version of the Perron-Frobenius Thm

$W =$ real vector space, $\dim W < \infty$

$C \subseteq W$ strict, closed convex cone w. interior $\neq \emptyset$

$S: W \rightarrow W$ linear map, $SC \subseteq C$, $\rho(S) = \lambda_1$

Thm A': $\exists v_0 \in C$ s.t. $Sv_0 = \lambda_1 v_0$

For Thm B, assume W equipped with
inner product of Minkowski type, and

$S: W \rightarrow W$, $T: W \rightarrow W$ $SC \subseteq C$, $TC \subseteq C$

$(Sv \cdot w) = (v \cdot Tw)$ (adjoint) $\rho(S) = \rho(T) = \lambda_1$

$S \circ T = \lambda_2 \cdot \text{id}$ where $\lambda_2 < \lambda_1^2$

Thm B': $\exists v_0, w_0 \in C$ s.t. $Sv_0 = \lambda_1 v_0$, $Tw_0 = \lambda_1 w_0$,

$$\lambda_1^{-n} S^n v = \text{const} \cdot v_0 + O\left(\left(\lambda_2/\lambda_1^2\right)^{n/2}\right) \quad n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\lambda_1^{-n} T^n w = \text{const} \cdot w_0 + O\left(\left(\lambda_2/\lambda_1^2\right)^{n/2}\right)$$

Rem: Used $\varphi: X \rightarrow X$ holo:

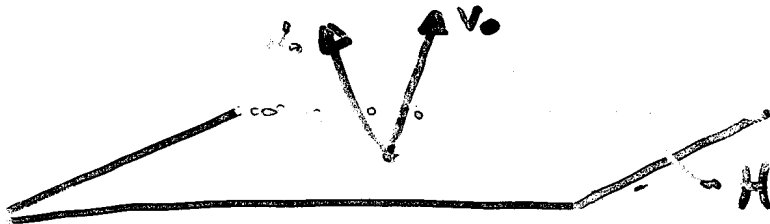
$$\cdot \varphi_x \varphi^x = \lambda_2 \cdot \text{id}$$

$$\cdot \varphi^{nx} = \varphi^{xn} \text{ etc}$$

(Can adopt argument to $\varphi: X \dashrightarrow X$
algebraically stable as in [DF])

Steps in Proof of Thm B'

1. Know v_0, w_0 exist from Thm A'
2. $Sw_0 = \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} w_0 \neq \lambda_1 w_0$
 $\Rightarrow v_0, w_0$ not proportional
3. $\lambda_1^2 (w_0 \cdot w_0) = (Tw_0 \cdot Tw_0) = \lambda_2 (w_0 \cdot w_0)$
 $\Rightarrow (w_0 \cdot w_0) = 0$
4. Hodge $\Rightarrow (v_0 \cdot w_0) > 0$.
5. $\mathcal{H} := \{v \in W \mid (v \cdot v_0) = (v \cdot w_0) = 0\}$.
 $\Rightarrow W = \mathbb{R}v_0 \oplus \mathbb{R}w_0 \oplus \mathcal{H}$

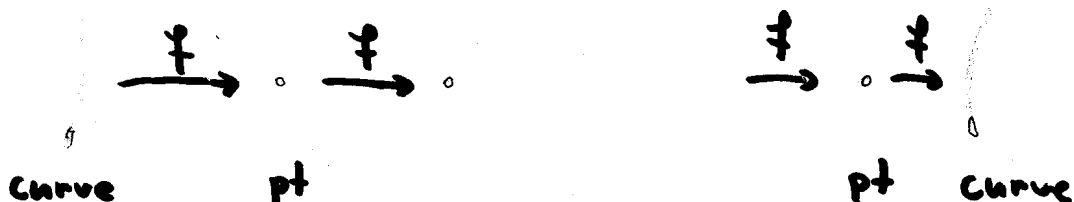


(\cdot) neg. definite on \mathcal{H}
 $T\mathcal{H} \subset \mathcal{H}$

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Finding a good model

Perron-Frobenius argument works also if $f: X \dashrightarrow X$ is algebraically stable:



does not occur.

Q: Given $f: X \dashrightarrow X$, when can we make bimeromorphic change of coordinates to render f AS?

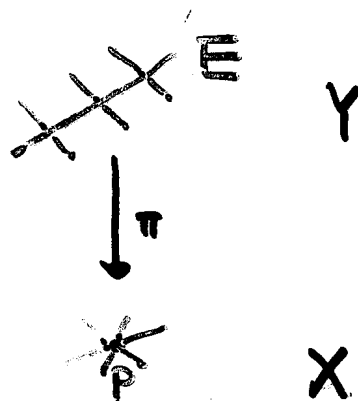
Difficult! Understood when:

- 1) f birational [DF]
- 2) f monomial [F]
- 3) f polynomial [F3] (Lecture 3)

In any case, can try to change X using blowups

Blowups I

$p \in X$ point
 $\pi: Y \rightarrow X$ blowup of p
 $E = \pi^{-1}(p)$ exceptional divisor
 $\{E\} \in H^2_{\mathbb{R}}(Y)$ psef, not nef
 $(\{E\} \cdot \{E\}) = -1$



$$\pi^*: H^{1,1}(X) \longrightarrow H^{1,1}(Y) \quad (\text{forms})$$

$$\pi_*: H^{1,1}(Y) \longrightarrow H^{1,1}(X) \quad (\text{currents})$$

"Projection formula" $\begin{cases} \pi_* \pi^* = \text{id} \\ (\alpha \cdot \pi^* \beta)_Y = (\pi_* \alpha \cdot \beta)_X \\ (\pi^* \beta \cdot \pi^* \beta)_Y = (\beta \cdot \beta)_X \end{cases}$

$$H^{1,1}_{\mathbb{R}}(Y) \cong \pi^* H^{1,1}_{\mathbb{R}}(X) \oplus \mathbb{R}\{E\} \quad \text{orthogonal}$$

Convention 1: identify $\beta \in H^{1,1}(X)$ and $\pi^* \beta \in H^{1,1}(Y)$
 $\rightarrow H^{1,1}_{\mathbb{R}}(Y) \cong H^{1,1}_{\mathbb{R}}(X) \oplus \mathbb{R}\{E\}$.

NB: $\beta \in H^{1,1}(X) \begin{cases} \text{psef} \\ \text{nef} \\ \text{big+nef} \end{cases} \iff \beta \in H^{1,1}(Y) \begin{cases} \text{psef} \\ \text{nef} \\ \text{big+nef} \end{cases}$

Blowups II

$\pi: Y \rightarrow X$ composition of blowups

$$Y = X_n \xrightarrow{\pi_n} X_{n-1} \rightarrow \dots \xrightarrow{\pi_2} X_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_1} X_0 = X$$

$$E_j = \pi_j^{-1}(p_j) \subseteq X_j \quad \text{exc. div.}$$

$$e_j := \{E_j\} \in H_{\mathbb{R}}^{2i}(X_j)$$

Using Convention 1:

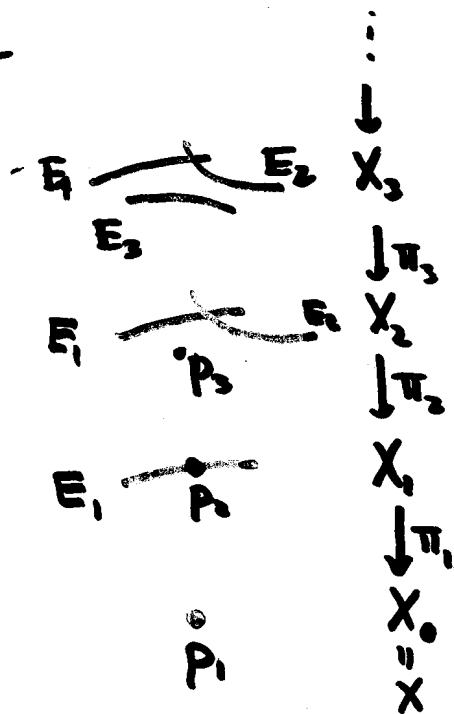
$$H_{\mathbb{R}}^{2i}(Y) \cong H^{2i}(X) \oplus \mathbb{R}e_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{R}e_n \quad \underline{\text{ON}}$$

Convention 2:

Identify $E_i \subset X_i$

with its strict transform $\subset X_2$ etc

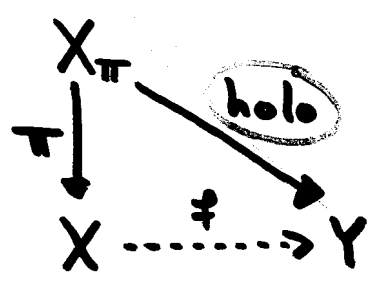
NB: $e_j \neq \{E_j\}$ in general.



Blowups III

Can use blowups to "improve" maps.
Consider $f: X \dashrightarrow Y$ mero, dominant

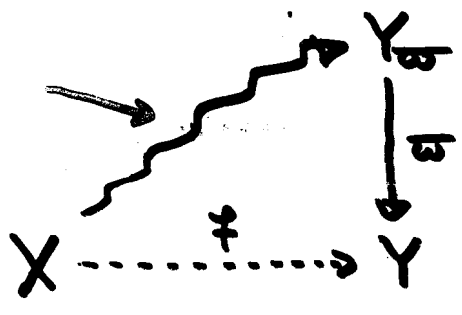
Fact 1: [Elimination of indeterminacy pts]



$\exists \pi$ comp'n of blowups.

Fact 2: [Elimination of contracted curves]

does not contract curves



$\exists \beta$

However, blowing up does not necessarily simplify dynamics: same source, target!

Can create new indet pts + contracted curves

Draconian approach: blow up everything!

The Riemann-Zariski space

$\pi: X_\pi \rightarrow X$ (composition of) blowups

Any two blowups can be dominated by third

Def: $\mathbb{X} := \varprojlim_{\pi} X_\pi$ $\mathbb{R}\mathbb{Z}$ space

Can view \mathbb{X} as locally ringed space,
but we don't need it!

$$\pi' \geq \pi \iff \exists \text{ blowup } X_{\pi'} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\mu} X_\pi \xrightarrow{\pi} X \\ \searrow \pi' \nearrow \end{array}$$

Convention: identify $H_{\mathbb{R}}^{i,i}(X_\pi)$ with
 $\mu^* H_{\mathbb{R}}^{i,i}(X_\pi) \subset H_{\mathbb{R}}^{i,i}(X_{\pi'})$

$C(\mathbb{X}) := \varinjlim_{\pi} H_{\mathbb{R}}^{i,i}(X_\pi)$ Cartier classes
(union of all $H_{\mathbb{R}}^{i,i}(X_\pi)$ by conv'n)

$W(\mathbb{X}) := \varprojlim_{\pi} H_{\mathbb{R}}^{i,i}(X_\pi)$ Weil classes

What do these mean, concretely?

- A Cartier class on \mathcal{X} is a cohomology class on some X_π : the class is determined in X_π . (use convention)
- A Weil class $\alpha \in W(\mathcal{X})$ is a collection of $\alpha_\pi \in H_{\mathbb{R}}^{1,1}(X_\pi)$, the incarnation of α on X_π , compatible by pushforward.

Can also describe Weil divisors as follows

Def: An exceptional prime is an exceptional prime divisor $E \in X_\pi$ some $\pi: X_\pi \rightarrow X$. Identify strict transforms.

Then a Weil divisor on \mathcal{X} is given by:

- a class $\alpha_X \in H_{\mathbb{R}}^{1,1}(X)$
- a real valued function on $\{\text{exc. primes}\}$.

$C(\mathcal{X}) \longleftrightarrow W(\mathcal{X})$ dense image in proj. limit topology.

Rem: Weil, Cartier classes introduced by Manin.
Used for Cremona gp by Cantat
Also: Farey blowup of Hubbard-Papadopol

L^2 -classes

Intersection form on $H_{\mathbb{R}}^{1,1}(X)$

Pairing $W(X) \times C(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Restrict to $C(X) \times C(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Non-degenerate, Minkowski type

Def: $L^2(X) :=$ completion of $C(X)$

$$C(X) \subset L^2(X) \subset W(X)$$

Can show: $L^2(X) \cong H_{\mathbb{R}}^{1,1}(X) \oplus \mathcal{L}^2(D)$

$$D = \{\text{exc. primes}\}.$$

Lemma: If $\alpha \in W(X)$ has incarnations $\alpha_{\pi} \in H_{\mathbb{R}}^{1,1}(X_{\pi})$ then:

- (1) $\pi \mapsto (\alpha_{\pi}^2)$ is decreasing
- (2) $\alpha \in L^2(X) \iff \inf_{\pi} (\alpha_{\pi}^2) > -\infty$.

Positivity on \mathcal{X}

Def: $\alpha \in W(\mathcal{X})$ is nef (pnef)
if $\alpha_\pi \in H^1_{\mathbb{R}}(X_\pi)$ is ≥ 0 $\forall \pi$.

Lemma: α nef $\Rightarrow \alpha \leq \alpha_\pi \quad \forall \pi$

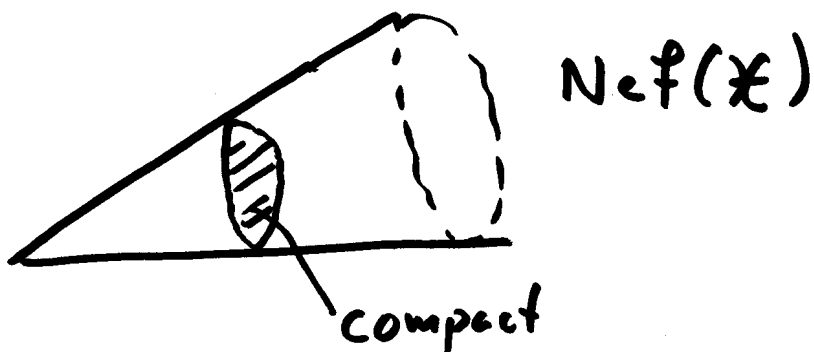
("Negativity lemma")

Lemma: $\text{Nef}(\mathcal{X}) \subset L^2(\mathcal{X})$

"Pf": α nef $\Rightarrow (\alpha \cdot \alpha) \geq 0 > -\infty \quad \square$

Key fact: $\text{Nef}(\mathcal{X}), \text{Pnef}(\mathcal{X})$ are strict,
convex closed cones in $W(\mathcal{X})$ with
compact basis: if $\omega \in \text{Nef}(\mathcal{X})$
and $(\omega \cdot \omega) > 0$ then

$\{\alpha \in \text{Nef}(\mathcal{X}) \mid (\alpha \cdot \omega) = 1\}$ compact



Functoriality

$f: X \dashrightarrow Y$ merom., dominant.

Fact 1 (Elimination of indet pts) \Rightarrow

\exists natural maps $f_*: W(X) \rightarrow W(Y)$

$f^*: C(Y) \rightarrow C(X)$

(can pretend f holomorphic!)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_n & \xrightarrow{\text{holo}} & Y_n \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ X & \dashrightarrow f & Y \end{array}$$

Fact 2 (Elimination of contracted curves) \Rightarrow

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f_* C(X) \subset C(Y) \\ f^* \text{ extends cont. to } f^*: W(Y) \rightarrow W(X) \end{array} \right.$$

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$$\beta \in C(Y) \Rightarrow (f^* \beta \cdot f^* \beta) = \text{topdeg}(f) \cdot (\beta \cdot \beta)$$

$$\Rightarrow$$

Prop: f_*, f^* extend to $L^2(X), L^2(Y)$

Dynamics on X

$f: X \dashrightarrow X$ merom. dominant

Morally, get holo map $X \rightarrow X$
(but don't want to deal with X itself)

$f_*: W(X) \supset$
 $C(X) \supset$ preserves nef, psef
 $L^2(X) \supset$

f^* : same properties

$f^{n*} = f^{*n}$ etc

$f_* f^* = \lambda_2 \cdot \text{id}$ $\lambda_2 = \text{top deg}$

$(f_* \alpha \cdot \beta) = (\alpha \cdot f^* \beta)$

Def: $\lambda_1 := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f^{n*} \omega \cdot \omega)^{1/n}$

where $\omega \in \text{Nef}(X)$, $(\omega^2) > 0$

(Indep of ω)

Want to prove Perron-Frobenius type

Thm in this setting:

Thm A: Existence of eigenclasses

Thm B: Spectral properties when $\lambda_1^2 > \lambda_2$

Eigenclasses on X

Thm A: $\exists \theta_x, \theta^* \in \text{Net}(X)$ s.t

$$\begin{aligned} f_x \theta_x &= \lambda_1 \theta_x \\ f^* \theta^* &= \lambda_1 \theta^* \end{aligned}$$

Thm B: If $\lambda_1^2 > \lambda_2$ then

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_1^{-n} f^{n*} \alpha = \text{const} \cdot \theta^* + O((\lambda_2 / \lambda_1^2)^{n/2}) \\ \lambda_1^{-n} f_x^n \alpha = \text{const} \cdot \theta_x + O(\dots) \end{cases} \quad n \rightarrow \infty$$

for every $\alpha \in L^2(X)$

In fact, Thm B proved in exactly the same way as before!

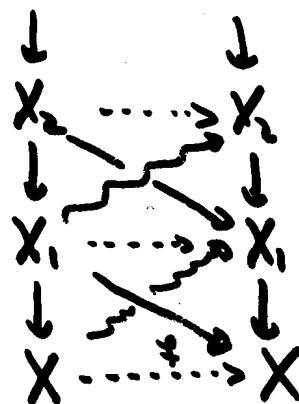
What about Thm A?

Use finite-dimensional approximations!

$S_n =$ induced map $H_{\mathbb{R}}^{1,1}(X_n) \rightarrow$ pushforward
 $T_n =$ || pullback.

$$\rho(S_n) = \rho(T_n) \rightarrow \lambda_1$$

Eigenclasses for S_n, T_n converge to eigenclasses for f_x, f^*



Key fact: $\text{Net}(X)$ has compact basis!

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Cor (of Thm B) If $f: \mathbb{P}^2 \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$ is
 merom + dominant and satisfies $\lambda_1^2 > \lambda_2$
 then $\exists b > 0$ s.t

$$\deg f^n = b \lambda_1^n + O(\lambda_2^{n/2}) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Concluding remarks/questions

1. Cantat used $L^2(\mathcal{X})$ to study the Cremona group $Cr(2)$
2. Can we understand the eigenclasses $\Theta_x, \Theta^* \in Nef(\mathcal{X})$ when $\lambda_1 > \lambda_2$?
 - a) Can understand Θ_x when f is a polynomial map of \mathbb{C}^2 (Lecture 3)
 - b) Thm [Diller-Dujardin-Guedj, Favre] Θ_x, Θ^* Cartier classes on \mathcal{X}

\Updownarrow
 $f: Y \rightarrow Y$ holo for some possibly singular model $Y \cong X$.
3. Can we use the eigenclasses to find models where f becomes AS?