

Left-invariant almost complex structures on the higher dimensional Kodaira–Thurston manifolds

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Abstract

We develop computational techniques which allow us to calculate the Kodaira dimension as well as the dimension of spaces of Dolbeault harmonic forms for left-invariant almost complex structures on the generalised Kodaira–Thurston manifolds.

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1 Introduction

Given an almost complex manifold (M, J) of real dimension $2n$, the exterior derivative on (*p*, *q*)-forms decomposes as

$$
d = \mu + \partial + \overline{\partial} + \overline{\mu} : A^{p,q} \to A^{p+2,q-1} \oplus A^{p+1,q} \oplus A^{p,q+1} \oplus A^{p-1,q+2}.
$$

According to the Newlander-Nirenberg Theorem, *J* is integrable, i.e., it is induced by the structure of a complex manifold, if and only if $\mu = 0$, or equivalently $\overline{\delta}^2 = 0$.

Fixing an almost Hermitian metric *g* and denoting by $\ast : A^{p,q} \to A^{n-q,n-p}$ the C-linear Hodge star operator, the *L*²-formal adjoint of $\overline{\partial}$ is given by $\overline{\partial}^* := - * \partial *$. Therefore, one can define the *Dolbeault Laplacian* as in the integrable case, as the second order elliptic and formally self adjoint differential operator acting on the space $A^{p,q}$ of (p, q) -forms on (M, J) as

$$
\Delta_{\overline{\partial}} := \overline{\partial} \overline{\partial}^* + \overline{\partial}^* \overline{\partial} : A^{p,q} \to A^{p,q}.
$$

By theory of elliptic operators, if *M* is compact, then the space of Dolbeault harmonic (*p*, *q*) forms $\mathcal{H}_{\overline{\partial}}^{p,q} := \ker \Delta_{\overline{\partial}} \cap A^{p,q}$ has finite dimension $h_{\overline{\partial}}^{p,q}$, and if moreover *J* is integrable, then

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 $\mathcal{H}_{\overline{\partial}}^{p,q}$ is isomorphic to the Dolbeault cohomology group $H_{\overline{\partial}}^{p,q} := \frac{\ker \overline{\partial}}{\text{im}\overline{\partial}}$, which is an invariant of the complex structure.

In Problem 20 of Hirzebruch's 1954 Problem List [\[11](#page-17-0)], Kodaira and Spencer asked if the number $h_p^{p,q}$ is independent on the choice of the almost Hermitian metric *g*. The first nuclear and \overline{B}^0 is independent on a procedure operator this problem $[14, 15]$, half-line author and Zhang just recently gave a negative answer to this problem $[14, 15]$ $[14, 15]$ $[14, 15]$, building a family of almost complex structures on the 4-dimensional Kodaira–Thurston manifold, namely the product between the circle S^1 and the compact quotient $H_3(\mathbb{Z})\backslash H_3(\mathbb{R})$ of the Heisenberg group, showing that $h^{0,1}_{\overline{\partial}}$ varies with different choices of the almost Hermitian metric. We refer to [\[12,](#page-17-3) [13](#page-17-4), [20,](#page-17-5) [21](#page-17-6), [24\]](#page-18-0) for further studies of Dolbeault harmonic forms on almost Hermitian manifolds. We remark that, at the current state of the art, the only known example of a non integrable almost Hermitian structure where it is possible to compute $h_{\overline{q}}^{p,q}$ completely for all $0 \leq p, q \leq n$ is just the 4-dimensional Kodaira–Thurston manifold. Furthermore, to our knowledge there are no known higher dimensional examples where one can actually compute $h_{\overline{\partial}}^{p,q}$ except for the $q = 0$ case, where the computation does not involve the metric [\[23](#page-17-7)].

A related invariant of almost complex manifolds, recently introduced in [\[7,](#page-17-8) [8\]](#page-17-9) by Chen and Zhang, is the *Kodaira dimension* of almost complex manifolds, which extends the well known notion for complex manifolds. We point out that all the known examples of compact solvmanifolds endowed with a left-invariant almost complex structure have Kodaira dimension 0 or $-\infty$ (see [\[4](#page-17-10)[–7\]](#page-17-8)).

The aim of this paper is to develop computational techniques to calculate the Kodaira dimension κ_J and the numbers $h_{\overline{\partial}}^{p,q}$ on the *generalised Kodaira–Thurston manifolds*

$$
KT^{2n+2}=H_{2n+1}(\mathbb{Z})\backslash H_{2n+1}(\mathbb{R})\times S^1,
$$

where $H_{2n+1}(\mathbb{R})$ denotes the generalised Heisenberg group (see, e.g., [\[3](#page-17-11), p. 24]), endowed with natural almost complex and almost Hermitian structures. Note that for $n = 1$, KT^4 is the 4-dimensional Kodaira–Thurston manifold.

In Section 4 we prove the following (see Theorem [4.1\)](#page-6-0)

Theorem *On the* (2*n* + 2)-dimensional Kodaira–Thurston manifold KT^{2n+2} endowed with *any left-invariant almost complex structure J, there are only two possible values for the Kodaira dimension:* 0 *or* −∞*.*

We are able to compute the Kodaira dimension thanks to the characterisation of L^2 functions on KT^{2n+2} via the regular representation of the Heisenberg group $H_{2n+1}(\mathbb{R})$ (see [\[1](#page-17-12)]). If a similar characterisation of \hat{L}^2 functions can be found for other solvmanifolds (endowed with left-invariant almost complex structures), then the same argument could be applied to determine the Kodaira dimension for these manifolds also.

In Sections 6 and 7, we calculate $h^{0,1}_{\overline{\partial}}$ for a family of left-invariant almost Hermitian structures on KT^4 and KT^6 , respectively. To do so, we make use of a description of the eigenfunctions of the Hodge-de Rham Laplacian on KT^{2n+2} using Hermite polynomials (see [\[9](#page-17-13)]). Note that this method has technical differences with the one used in $[14]$ $[14]$ on KT^4 to answer the Kodaira–Spencer question. Specifically, in $[14]$ $[14]$ linear PDE systems on KT^4 are transformed into ODE systems, which are then solved using a Laplace transform. Note that this technique only works for the 4-dimensional Kodaira–Thurston manifold. Conversely, in this paper we transform linear PDE systems on KT^{2n+2} into a system of recurrence relations which can be solved directly.

In Section 6, this allows us to solve the original problem from [\[14\]](#page-17-1) using a much simpler method. Specifically, given a family of left invariant almost complex structures on KT^4 we obtain the same values of $h_{\overline{\partial}}^{0,1}$ as in [\[14\]](#page-17-1).

In Section 7 we endow KT^6 with a family of left invariant almost complex structures $J_{a,b,c}$, with $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$, and prove the following (see Theorem [7.1\)](#page-16-0)

Theorem *For any choice of a left invariant almost Hermitian metric g on the almost complex manifold* (*KT*⁶, *J_{a,b,c}*), the space $\mathcal{H}_{\overline{\partial}}^{0,1}$ is given by left invariant forms only. If ab $\neq 1$, i.e., $J_{a,b,c}$ *is not integrable, then* $h_{\overline{\partial}}^{0,1} = 2$ *. If ab* = 1*, i.e.,* $J_{a,b,c}$ *is integrable, then* $h_{\overline{\partial}}^{0,1} = 3$ *.*

We refer to [\[16](#page-17-14)] for another study of the eigenfunctions of the Hodge-de Rham Laplacian on the generalised Heisenberg group, and to [\[17](#page-17-15)] for the issue of Hodge decomposition for the Hodge Laplacian on functions and on differential forms on the same manifold.

2 Representation theory

Let *X* be a smooth homogeneous space, in other words, for some Lie group G , X is given by the space of cosets of a closed Lie subgroup $\Gamma \subset G$

$$
X = \Gamma \backslash G := \{ \Gamma g \in G \mid g \in G \}.
$$

The *(right)* regular representation of G is defined on $L^2(X)$ with the right Haar measure by

$$
R(g) : L2(G) \to L2(G)
$$

$$
f \mapsto f \circ r_g
$$

where r_g is the right multiplication function, i.e., $r_g : h \mapsto hg$ for all $g, h \in G$. Note that r_g is also well-defined as a map on *X*, sending left cosets to left cosets,

$$
r_g: \Gamma h \mapsto \Gamma h g.
$$

We shall assume that the right Haar measure coincides with the left Haar measure, i.e., *G* is unimodular. In this case the Haar measure descends to a measure on *X* and thus the regular representation on $L^2(G)$ induces a unitary representation on $L^2(X)$

$$
R(g) : L^{2}(X) \to L^{2}(X)
$$

$$
f \mapsto f \circ r_{g}
$$

which we will also call the regular representation. Nilpotent groups provide an excellent family of groups which are all unimodular [\[18](#page-17-16), Corollary of Prop. 25]. Indeed the Kodaira– Thurston manifolds we shall consider later are all given by the quotient of some nilpotent groups.

A decomposition of $L^2(X)$ into closed subspaces S_I ,

$$
L^2(X) = \widehat{\bigoplus_{I \in \mathcal{I}}} \mathcal{S}_I,\tag{1}
$$

is called a decomposition of the regular representation if each of the spaces S_I is preserved by $R(g)$ for all $g \in G$. Here $\hat{\oplus}$ denotes the closure of the direct sum.

Let g be the Lie algebra of *G* with a basis given by the vectors $v_1, \ldots, v_n \in \mathfrak{g}$. Extending v_i left-invariantly to the whole of *G*, there is a well-defined pushforward to a vector field on *X*, which we also call *ν*_{*j*}. We will call any vector field on *X* defined in this way *left-invariant*.

Interpreting v_j as a directional derivative on *X*, we say that a linear differential operator *P* on *X* is *left-invariant* if it can be written in the form

$$
P = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^n, |\alpha| \leq k} c_{\alpha} D^{\alpha}
$$

where $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n)$ is a multi-index, $|\alpha| = \alpha_1 + \cdots + \alpha_n$, $c_\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ is a family of constants, and we define D^{α} to be the differential operator $v_1^{\alpha_1} v_2^{\alpha_2} \dots v_n^{\alpha_n}$.

Any decomposition of the regular representation [\(1\)](#page-2-0) also gives us a decomposition of all left-invariant differential operators. This should not be surprising as the directional derivative given by any $v \in \mathfrak{g}$ is also given by the differential of the regular representation

$$
dR(\nu): L^2(X) \cap C^{\infty}(X) \to L^2(X) \cap C^{\infty}(X)
$$

$$
f \mapsto \nu f.
$$

For the convenience of the reader, we provide a simple proof of the relevant results below. For a more general discussion of the properties of the differential of a representation, we direct the reader to [\[2\]](#page-17-17).

Theorem 2.1 *If S* is a closed subspace of $L^2(X)$ preserved by the right regular representation *then* $S \cap C^{\infty}$ *is preserved by left-invariant vector fields.*

Proof An element of the Lie algebra $v \in \mathfrak{g}$ can be given as the tangent to some curve $\gamma(t)$ on *G*, passing through the identity at $t = 0$. The corresponding vector field on *X* is then given at a general point $\Gamma g \in X$ as the tangent to the curve $\Gamma g \gamma(t)$.

Applying *v* to a smooth function $f \in S \cap C^{\infty}$ gives us the directional derivative

$$
\nu f(\Gamma g) = \frac{d}{dt}\Big|_{t=0} f(\Gamma g \gamma(t))
$$

=
$$
\frac{d}{dt}\Big|_{t=0} R(\gamma(t)) f(\Gamma g)
$$

=
$$
\lim_{t \to 0} \frac{R(\gamma(t)) f(\Gamma g) - R(\gamma(0)) f(\Gamma g)}{t}.
$$

Since S is preserved by R , we know have

$$
\frac{R(\gamma(t))f(g) - R(\gamma(0))f(g)}{t} \in \mathcal{S}
$$

for all $t > 0$. But *S* is closed and so we must have $Vf \in S$.

Corollary 2.2 Let P be a left-invariant linear differential operator on $X = \Gamma \backslash G$, and let *f* ∈ $C^{\infty}(X)$ *be a smooth function which can be decomposed, with respect to the regular representation, into the sum*

$$
f = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{I}} f_I,
$$

with $f_I \in S_I \cap C^\infty$.

If f is a solution to the differential equation

$$
Pf=0
$$

then the functions f_I *are also solutions, for all* $I \in \mathcal{I}$ *.*

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Proof Decomposing the equation $Pf = 0$ we get

$$
Pf = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{I}} Pf_I = 0.
$$

Since the spaces S_I are all closed subspaces of $L^2(X)$, by Theorem [2.1](#page-3-0) we can say that *P f_I* ∈ *S_I*. Furthermore, the spaces *S_I* are all mutually orthogonal and so *P f* = 0 if and only if each of its components are zero, i.e. *P f₁* = 0. if each of its components are zero, i.e. $P f_I = 0$.

3 The Kodaira–Thurston manifold

The $2n + 2$ -dimensional Kodaira–Thurston manifold KT^{2n+2} is a homogeneous space given by

$$
KT^{2n+2}=(H_{2n+1}(\mathbb{Z})\times\mathbb{Z})\setminus (H_{2n+1}(\mathbb{R})\times\mathbb{R})
$$

where $H_{2n+1}(\mathbb{R})$ denotes the Heisenberg group

$$
H_{2n+1}(\mathbb{R}) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x & z \\ 0 & I_n & y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \middle| x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n, z \in \mathbb{R} \right\}
$$

and $H_{2n+1}(\mathbb{Z})$ denotes the discrete subgroup, with $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}^n$, $z \in \mathbb{Z}$. Here I_n is the $n \times n$ identity and 0_n is the zero vector $(0, \ldots, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

The tangent bundle of KT^{2n+2} is spanned at every point by the left-invariant vectors

$$
v_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}, \dots, v_n = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n},
$$

\n
$$
v_{n+1} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y_1} + x_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial z}, \dots, v_{2n} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y_{2n}} + x_{2n} \frac{\partial}{\partial z},
$$

\n
$$
v_{2n+1} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z}, v_{2n+2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t},
$$

where the variables *x*, *y*, *z* parametrise the Heisenberg group $H_{2n+1}(\mathbb{R})$ as described above, and *t* parametrises R.

The cotangent bundle of KT^{2n+2} is spanned at every point by the dual left-invariant 1-forms

$$
e1 = dx1,..., en = dxn,\nf1 = dy1,..., fn = dy2n,\nen+1 = dz - x1dy1 - ... - xndyn, fn+1 = dt,
$$

where the only non zero structure equation is

$$
de^{n+1} = -e^1 \wedge f^1 - \cdots - e^n \wedge f^n.
$$

The regular representation of $H_{2n+1}(\mathbb{R}) \times \mathbb{R}$ on $L^2(KT^{2n+2})$ has an irreducible decomposition, described by

$$
L^{2}(KT^{2n+2}) = \widehat{\bigoplus_{I \in \mathcal{I}}} S_{I} \oplus \widehat{\bigoplus_{J \in \mathcal{J}}} T_{J}
$$
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where the the first sum is taken over all $I = (p, q, l)$ such that $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}^n, l \in \mathbb{Z}$ and the second sum is taken over all $J = (q, m, l)$ such that $m \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$, $q \in (\mathbb{Z}/m)^n$, $l \in \mathbb{Z}$. In [\(2\)](#page-4-0) S_I is a 1 dimensional space spanned by a single function

$$
S_I = \mathbb{C} \cdot \left\{ e^{2\pi i (p \cdot x + q \cdot y + lt)} \right\}
$$

and T_J is an infinite dimensional space given by

$$
\mathcal{T}_J = \left\{ e^{2\pi i (q \cdot y + mz + lt)} \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \psi(x + \xi) e^{2\pi i m \xi \cdot y} \mid \psi \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n) \right\}.
$$

See [\[1,](#page-17-12) Section I.5] for a decomposition of the regular representation of $H_{2n+1}(\mathbb{R})$ acting on $L^2(H_{2n+1}(\mathbb{Z})\backslash H_{2n+1}(\mathbb{R}))$, from which the above decomposition is easily obtained.

We define the map

$$
W_J: L^2(\mathbb{R}^n) \to \mathcal{T}_J,
$$

in the natural way. This is a generalised version of the Weil-Brezin map on the Heisenberg manifold. Using $W_J\psi$ to denote a general element of \mathcal{T}_J , if we have $W_J\psi \in C^{\infty}(KT^{2n+2})$ then by classical Fourier analysis $\psi \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and the sum over $\xi \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ is absolutely convergent. We can then write

$$
\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} W_J \psi = W_J \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \psi \right)
$$

$$
\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} + x_j \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) W_J \psi = 2\pi i q_j W_J \psi + 2\pi i m W_J (x_j \psi)
$$

$$
\frac{\partial}{\partial z} W_J \psi = 2\pi i m W_J \psi
$$

$$
\frac{\partial}{\partial t} W_J \psi = 2\pi i l W_J \psi.
$$

This shows us that $W_J \psi$ is smooth if and only if the Weil-Brezin map

$$
W_J\left(x^{\alpha}\frac{\partial}{\partial x}^{\beta}\psi\right)
$$

converges for all multi-indexes α , $\beta \in \mathbb{N}^n$, where $x^{\alpha} := x_1^{\alpha_1} x_2^{\alpha_2} \dots x_n^{\alpha_n}$ and similarly $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}^{\beta} :=$ $\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}\right)^{\beta_1} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}\right)^{\beta_2} \dots \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_n}\right)^{\beta_n}$. In other words, we must have $\psi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$, where

$$
S(\mathbb{R}^n) := \left\{ f \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n) \middle| \forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{N}^n \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \left\| x^{\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}^{\beta} f \right\| < \infty \right\}
$$

is the space of Schwartz functions.

We can therefore write

$$
\mathcal{T}_J \cap C^{\infty}(KT^{2n+2}) = \{W_J\psi \mid \psi \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)\}
$$

when restricting to the space of smooth functions.

Conversely, the space S_I is unchanged when restricting to smooth functions, i.e., we have $S_I \cap C^{\infty}(KT^{2n+2}) = S_I.$

4 The Kodaira dimension of *KT***2***n***+²**

In [\[7](#page-17-8)], Chen and Zhang introduced the notion of Kodaira dimension for almost complex manifolds. We now recall their definition. Given a 2*n*-dimensional almost complex manifold (X, J) , denote the *canonical bundle*, i.e., the bundle of $(n, 0)$ -forms, by K_J . We define the *Nth*-*plurigenus* of an almost complex manifold (*X*, *J*), as in [\[7,](#page-17-8) Definition 1.2], to be the space of $\overline{\partial}$ -closed sections of $K_J^{\otimes N}$

$$
H^{0}(X, K_J^{\otimes N}) = \left\{ s \in K_J^{\otimes N} \mid \overline{\partial} s = 0 \right\}.
$$

Then, denoting

$$
P_N = \dim H^0(X, K_J^{\otimes N})
$$

the Kodaira dimension of (X, J) is defined to be

$$
\kappa_J(X) = \begin{cases}\n-\infty & P_N = 0, \ \forall N \ge 0, \\
\limsup_{N \to \infty} \frac{\log P_N}{\log N} & \text{otherwise.}\n\end{cases}
$$

We will now demonstrate how it is possible to calculate the Kodaira dimension of the Kodaira–Thurston manifold in any dimension and given any left-invariant almost complex structure. This same argument could be applied to calculate the Kodaira dimension for other solvmanifolds with left-invariant almost complex structure.

Theorem 4.1 *On the* $(2n + 2)$ *-dimensional Kodaira–Thurston manifold KT*^{$2n+2$} *endowed with any left-invariant almost complex structure J, there are only two possible values for the Kodaira dimension:* 0 *or* $-\infty$ *.*

Proof For a general left-invariant almost complex structure, we can assume that the space of $T^{1,0}KT^{2n+2}$ is spanned at each point by the $(1, 0)$ -vectors V_1, \ldots, V_{n+1} given by

$$
V_j = \sum_{i=1}^{2n+2} A_{ij} v_i
$$

for some choice of $A_{ij} \in \mathbb{C}$. Let ϕ^j be the dual (1, 0)-forms, then in order to find the plurigenera, we must find $f \in C^{\infty}(KT^{2n+2})$ such that

$$
\overline{\partial}\left(f\left(\phi^{12\dots n+1}\right)^{\otimes N}\right) = \left(\sum_j \overline{V}_j f \overline{\phi}^j\right) \otimes \left(\phi^{12\dots n+1}\right)^{\otimes N} + f \overline{\partial}\left(\phi^{12\dots n+1}\right)^{\otimes N} = 0.
$$

Maintaining full generality, we can assume that

$$
\overline{\partial}\phi^{12...n+1} = \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n+1} C_j \phi^j\right) \wedge \phi^{12...n+1},
$$

where $C_j \in \mathbb{C}$ are constant. The equations to solve are therefore

$$
\overline{V}_j f + N C_j f = 0. \tag{3}
$$

The operators $\overline{V}_i + NC_j$ are all left-invariant and so, if we find the solutions when *f* ∈ *SI* or *f* ∈ *TJ*, for some *I* ∈ *T* and *J* ∈ *J*, all other solutions can be found through linear combinations of these. In the two lemmas below, we consider first the solutions in S_I followed by the solutions in T_J .

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Lemma 4.2 *If there exists a solution to* [\(3\)](#page-6-1) *in* S_I *for some* $I \in \mathcal{I}$ *, then it is unique and a solution exists for infinitely many values of N.*

Proof For any value of $I = (p, q, l)$, with $l \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}^n$, we can look for a solution of the form

$$
e^{2\pi i(p\cdot x + q\cdot y + lt)} \in \mathcal{S}_I.
$$

Substituting this into [\(3\)](#page-6-1) and setting $A_{jk} = a_{j,k} + ib_{j,k}, C_j = c_j + ic_{j+n+1}$ we find that we have a solution if and only if the following is satisfied:

$$
2\pi \begin{pmatrix} -b_{1,1} & \dots & -b_{1,2n+1} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ -b_{n+1,1} & \dots & -b_{n,2n+1} \\ a_{1,1} & \dots & a_{1,2n+1} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n+1,1} & \dots & a_{n,2n+1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ \vdots \\ p_n \\ q_1 \\ \vdots \\ q_n \end{pmatrix} = N \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_{2n+2} \end{pmatrix}.
$$
 (4)

First, we check for any real solutions $(p, q, l) \in \mathbb{R}^{2n+1}$ in the case when $N = 1$. Since the vectors $V_1, \ldots, V_{n+1}, \overline{V}_1, \ldots, \overline{V}_{n+1}$ are linearly independent we know that the matrix on the left hand side of [\(4\)](#page-7-0) has maximal rank, therefore if a solution (p, q, l) exists, it is unique. Furthermore, this implies that (*N p*, *Nq*, *Nl*) is a solution for general *N*.

If the solution (p, q, l) is rational, i.e., contained in \mathbb{Q}^{2n+1} then we can choose a value of *N* such that $(Np, Nq, Nl) \in \mathbb{Z}^{2n+1}$ and we have a solution to [\(3\)](#page-6-1) for this *N*. In fact, there are infinitely many possible choices for this value of *N*.

If instead the solution is irrational or does not exist, then there are no solutions to (3) for any choice of N .

Lemma 4.3 *There are no solutions to* [\(3\)](#page-6-1) *contained in* T_J *for any* $J \in \mathcal{J}$ *.*

Proof Given any fixed left-invariant *J*, it is always possible to choose the vectors V_1, \ldots, V_{n+1} such that $A_{i1} = \cdots = A_{in} = 0$. The equation [\(3\)](#page-6-1), when $j = 1$, can therefore be written as

$$
\left[A_{1 n+1} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_1} + x_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right) + \dots + A_{12 n} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_n} + x_n \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right) + A_{12 n+1} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} + A_{12 n+2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + NC_1\right] f = 0.
$$

Let *f* be a function in T_J , i.e., *f* is of the form

$$
e^{2\pi i(lt+q\cdot y+mz)}\sum_{\xi\in\mathbb{Z}^n}\psi(x+\xi)e^{2\pi im\xi\cdot y}
$$

for some Schwartz function $\psi \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$. Substituting this into the above equation, we see that if *f* is a solution, then ψ must satisfy

$$
B(\mathbf{x})\psi(\mathbf{x})=0
$$

for all $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \ldots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$, where we define

$$
B(\mathbf{x}) := 2\pi i \left[A_{1n+1}(q_1 + mx_1) + \cdots + A_{12n}(q_n + mx_n) + A_{12n+1}m + A_{12n+2}l \right] + NC_1.
$$

This implies we must have $B(x) = 0$ for all **x** except when $\psi(x) = 0$.

In the case when at least one of $A_{1n+1}, \ldots, A_{12n}$ are non-zero, then $B \neq 0$ on a dense subset of \mathbb{R}^n and thus, by continuity, $\psi = 0$ everywhere, i.e., there are no non-trivial solutions. In the case when $A_{1n+1} = \cdots = A_{12n} = 0$, we are instead left with

$$
B = 2\pi i (A_{12n+1}m + A_{12n+2}l) + NC_1.
$$

Note that $[V_i, \overline{V}_1] = 0$ for all *j*. Thus, by the relationship between the Lie bracket and the exterior derivative, we conclude that $d\phi^j$ has no $\phi^{j\bar{1}}$ component. Specifically, this means $d\phi^{12...n+1}$ has no $\phi^{12...n+1} \wedge \overline{\phi}^{1}$ component and so $C_1 = 0$. Furthermore, since V_1 and \overline{V}_1 must be linearly independent, $A_{1,2n+1}$, $A_{1,2n+2} \in \mathbb{C}$ cannot be real multiples of each other. All of this together means that, from $B = 0$, we can conclude that $l = m = 0$, but this contradicts the assumption that *m* is non-zero. Therefore, \mathcal{T}_J contains no solutions to [\(3\)](#page-6-1). \Box

Combining these two lemmas, we conclude that either $P_N = 1$ for an infinite number of choices of *N* and therefore $\kappa_J = 0$, or $P_N = 0$ for all *N* and therefore $\kappa_J = -\infty$.

5 Spectrum of the Laplacian

In [\[9](#page-17-13)], Denhinger and Singhof derive the spectrum of the Laplacian along with the corresponding eigenfunctions, on the Heisenberg manifold given by the quotient $H_{2n+1}(\mathbb{Z})\setminus H_{2n+1}(\mathbb{R})$. The description they gave made use of the Hermite polynomials.

Definition 5.1 The Hermite functions are smooth maps $F_h : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ defined for all $h \in \mathbb{N}_0$ by

$$
F_h(s) = (-1)^h e^{\frac{s^2}{2}} \frac{d^h}{ds^h} e^{-s^2}.
$$

These functions satisfy the following identities, which we shall make use of in Sect. [5](#page-8-0)

$$
F'_{h}(s) = s F_{h}(s) - F_{h+1}(s),
$$

\n
$$
F'_{h}(s) = 2h F_{h-1}(s) - s F_{h}(s),
$$

\n
$$
F''_{h}(s) = s^{2} F_{h}(s) - (2h+1) F_{h}(s).
$$
\n(5)

The Kodaira–Thurston manifold can be written as the direct product of the Heisenberg manifold with a circle, and so the spectrum on KT^{2n+2} can derived by an identical argument.

Theorem 5.2 *Endow K T*^{2*n*+2} *with a Riemannian metric given by the following orthonormal vector fields:*

$$
a\frac{\partial}{\partial t}
$$
, $b_i\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} + c_i\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_i} + x_i\frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)$, $d\frac{\partial}{\partial z}$

for some positive choice of a, $d \in \mathbb{R}$ *,* $b, c \in \mathbb{R}^n$ *. The Laplacian* $\Delta_d := dd^* + d^*d$ acting on \int^{∞} *C*∞(*KT*^{2*n*+2}) *is given by*

$$
a^2\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} + b_i^2\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i^2} + c_i^2\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_i} + x_i\frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)^2 + d^2\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}.
$$

The eigenfunctions of this Laplacian are given by

$$
f_I = f_{p,q,l} = e^{2\pi i (p \cdot x + q \cdot y + lt)}
$$

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for any $I \in \mathcal{I}$ *and*

$$
g_{J,h} = g_{q,m,l,h} = e^{2\pi i (q \cdot y + mz + lt)} \prod_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}} F_{h_j} \left(\sqrt{2\pi |m| \frac{c_i}{b_i}} \left(x_j + \frac{q_j}{m} + \xi \right) \right) e^{2\pi i m \xi y_j}
$$

for any $J \in \mathcal{J}$ *and any* $h = (h_1, \ldots, h_n) \in \mathbb{N}_0^n$.

Specifically, we have

$$
\Delta_d f_I = -4\pi^2 \left(a^2 l^2 + b_1^2 p_1^2 + \dots + b_n^2 p_n^2 + c_1^2 q_1^2 + \dots + c_n^2 q_n^2 \right) f_I
$$

$$
\Delta_d g_{J,h} = -\left[2\pi |m| (2c_1^2 (h_1 + 1) + \dots + 2c_n^2 (h_n + 1)) + 4\pi^2 (a^2 l^2 + d^2 m^2) \right] g_{J,h}.
$$

Note that the space S_I contains only complex multiples of the function f_I , while the space *T_J* contains the functions $g_{J,h}$ for all $h \in \mathbb{N}_0^n$ and we have the following result.

Corollary 5.3 *Given any fixed index J* ∈ *^J , the functions* (*gJ* ,*h*)*h*∈N*ⁿ* ⁰ *form an orthogonal basis of* \mathcal{T}_I *.*

Proof It is well-known that on a compact manifold the eigenfunctions of the Laplacian, or indeed any self adjoint elliptic operator, form an orthogonal basis of $L^2(M)$ (see [\[19](#page-17-18), Theorem 14, Ch. XI]). The corollary then follows from the fact that \mathcal{T}_J is orthogonal to f_I and $g_{J',h}$ whenever $J' \neq J$, but contains $g_{J',h}$ if $J' = J$.

Proposition 5.4 *On the manifold KT*^{2*n*+2} *define the following left-invariant frame on the tangent bundle*

$$
U_j = b_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} + ic_j \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} + x_j \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right], \qquad U_{n+1} = a \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + id \frac{\partial}{\partial z},
$$

where $j = 1, \ldots, n$.

The functions g_{J,h} satisfy the following relations, for all $J \in \mathcal{J}$ *,* $h = (h_1, \ldots, h_n) \in \mathbb{N}_0^n$ *.*

$$
U_{n+1}g_{J,h} = 2\pi i \ (al + idm) \, g_{J,h}, \qquad \overline{U_{n+1}}g_{J,h} = 2\pi i \ (al - idm) \, g_{J,h}.
$$

If $m > 0$ *then, for* $j = 1, \ldots, n$,

$$
U_j g_{J,h} = -\sqrt{2\pi m b_j c_j} g_{J,h+e_j}, \qquad \overline{U_j} g_{J,h} = 2h_j \sqrt{2\pi m b_j c_j} g_{I,h-e_j}.
$$

If $m < 0$ *then, for* $j = 1, \ldots, n$,

$$
U_j g_{J,h} = 2h_j \sqrt{-2\pi m b_j c_j} g_{J,h-e_j}, \qquad \overline{U_j} g_{J,h} = -\sqrt{-2\pi m b_j c_j} g_{J,h+e_j}.
$$

Here we use e ^j to denote the element of N*ⁿ* ⁰ *with a 1 in the jth position and zeros in all other positions, i.e.,* $h + e_j = (h_1, ..., h_j + 1, ..., h_n)$.

Proof The relations for U_{n+1} and $\overline{U_{n+1}}$ are clear from the definition of $g_{J,h}$. To prove the relations for U_j and $\overline{U_j}$ with $j = 1, \ldots, n$, we shall assume $m > 0$. The case when $m < 0$ follows from an identical argument.

For simplicity of notation, we shall substitute $s_j = \sqrt{2\pi m \frac{c_j}{b_j}} (x_j + \xi + \frac{q_j}{m})$, so that

$$
g_{J,h} = e^{2\pi i (q \cdot y + mz + lt)} \prod_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}} F_{h_i}(s_i) e^{2\pi i m \xi y_i}.
$$

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Applying *U_j* to *g_J*,*h* and writing $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} = \sqrt{2\pi m \frac{c_j}{b_j}} \frac{\partial}{\partial s_j}$, we see that

$$
U_j g_{J,h} = e^{2\pi i (q \cdot y + mz + It)} \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}} \sqrt{2\pi m b_j c_j} \left[\frac{d}{ds_j} F_{h_j}(s_j) - s_j F_{h_j}(s_j) \right] e^{2\pi i m \xi y_j}
$$

$$
\cdot \prod_{i \neq j} \left(\sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}} F_{h_i}(s_i) e^{2\pi i m \xi y_i} \right)
$$

$$
= -\sqrt{2\pi m b_j c_j} e^{2\pi i (q \cdot y + mz + It)} \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}} F_{h_j + 1}(s_j) e^{2\pi i m \xi y_j}
$$

$$
\cdot \prod_{i \neq j} \left(\sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}} F_{h_i}(s_i) e^{2\pi i m \xi y_i} \right) = -\sqrt{2\pi m b_j c_j} g_{J,h + e_j}.
$$

The second equality follows from the identities [\(5\)](#page-8-1). Similarly, by applying $\overline{U_i}$ to $g_{J,h}$ we see that

$$
\overline{U_j}g_{J,h} = e^{2\pi i(q \cdot y + mz + lt)} \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}} \sqrt{2\pi m b_j c_j} \left[\frac{d}{ds_j} F_{h_j}(s_j) + s_j F_{h_j}(s_j) \right] e^{2\pi i m \xi y_j}
$$
\n
$$
\cdot \prod_{i \neq j} \left(\sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}} F_{h_i}(s_i) e^{2\pi i m \xi y_i} \right)
$$
\n
$$
= 2h_j \sqrt{2\pi m b_j c_j} e^{2\pi i (q \cdot y + mz + lt)} \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}} F_{h_j - 1}(s_j) e^{2\pi i m \xi y_j}
$$
\n
$$
\cdot \prod_{i \neq j} \left(\sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}} F_{h_i}(s_i) e^{2\pi i m \xi y_i} \right) = 2h_j \sqrt{2\pi m b_j c_j} g_{J,h-e_j}.
$$

6 Example: $\overline{\partial}$ -harmonic (0, 1)-forms on KT^4

We will now consider an example, calculating $h_{\bar{\partial}}^{0,1}$ on KT^4 for some family of almost Hermitian structures. Define an almost complex structure $J = J_{\beta,\delta}$ on KT^4 , depending on $\beta, \delta \in \mathbb{R}$, given by

$$
J: \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mapsto \beta \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \qquad J: \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + x \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \mapsto \delta \frac{\partial}{\partial z}.
$$

A Hermitian metric can then be chosen such that

$$
\frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \ \beta \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + x \frac{\partial}{\partial z}, \ \delta \frac{\partial}{\partial z}
$$

are orthonormal.

The corresponding Laplacian is given by

$$
\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} + \beta^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y} + x \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)^2 + \delta^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2},
$$

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 \Box

and so we define

$$
U_1 = \beta \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + i \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial y} + x \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right], \qquad U_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + i \delta \frac{\partial}{\partial z}.
$$

A frame for the vector bundle $T^{1,0}KT^4$ can be given by

$$
V_1 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - i \beta \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right), \qquad V_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial y} + x \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right] - i \delta \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right)
$$

along with its dual frame

$$
\phi^1 = dt + \frac{i}{\beta} dx, \qquad \phi^2 = dy + \frac{i}{\delta} [dz - xdy],
$$

which satisfies the structure equations

$$
d\phi^{1} = 0, \quad d\phi^{2} = -\frac{\beta}{4\delta} \left(\phi^{12} + \phi^{1\bar{2}} + \phi^{2\bar{1}} - \phi^{\bar{1}\bar{2}} \right).
$$

Denoting a general (0, 1)-form by

$$
s=f\overline{\phi^1}+g\overline{\phi^2}
$$

we see that *s* is $\overline{\partial}$ -harmonic iff $\overline{\partial}s = \overline{\partial}^*s = 0$, iff

$$
\begin{cases}\n-\overline{V_2}f + \overline{V_1}g - \frac{\beta}{4\delta}g = 0, \\
V_1f + V_2g = 0.\n\end{cases}
$$

Rewriting this using U_1 , U_2 , $\overline{U_1}$ and $\overline{U_2}$ gives us

$$
\begin{cases}\n-\left(\left(U_2 - \overline{U_2}\right) - i\left(U_1 - \overline{U_1}\right)\right) f + \left(\left(U_2 + \overline{U_2}\right) + i\left(U_1 + \overline{U_1}\right)\right) g - \frac{\beta}{\delta} g = 0, \\
\left(\left(U_2 + \overline{U_2}\right) - i\left(U_1 + \overline{U_1}\right)\right) f - \left(\left(U_2 - \overline{U_2}\right) + i\left(U_1 - \overline{U_1}\right)\right) g = 0.\n\end{cases} \tag{6}
$$

By taking either the sum or the difference of the two equations in (6) we construct a new system of equations

$$
\begin{cases} \left(\overline{U_2} - i\overline{U_1}\right)f + \left(\overline{U_2} + i\overline{U_1}\right)g - \frac{\beta}{\delta}g = 0, \\ \left(-U_2 + iU_1\right)f + \left(U_2 + iU_1\right)g - \frac{\beta}{\delta}g = 0. \end{cases}
$$

Then, defining functions $F, G \in C^{\infty}(KT^4)$ such that

$$
f = \frac{F+G}{2}, \quad g = \frac{F-G}{2},
$$

the system of equations becomes

$$
\begin{cases} \left(\overline{U_2} - \frac{\beta}{\delta}\right)F - \left(i\overline{U_1} - \frac{\beta}{\delta}\right)G = 0, \\ \left(iU_1 - \frac{\beta}{\delta}\right)F - \left(U_2 - \frac{\beta}{\delta}\right)G = 0. \end{cases}
$$

As a consequence of Corollary [2.2,](#page-3-1) along with the decomposition [\(2\)](#page-4-0), it is sufficient to find the solutions *F*, *G* which are contained within the spaces S_I and T_J .

A computation of the solutions in S_I can be found in [\[14,](#page-17-1) Section 3.3]. In the next part of this section, we will focus on finding the solutions in \mathcal{T}_J , using a simpler method than [\[14,](#page-17-1) Section 3.2].

6.1 Solutions in *^T^J*

From Corollary [5.3](#page-9-0) we know that the functions $g_{J,h}$ form a basis of \mathcal{T}_J and so we can write

$$
F = \sum_{h=0}^{\infty} A_h g_{J,h}, \qquad G = \sum_{h=0}^{\infty} B_h g_{J,h}
$$

where A_h , $B_h \in \mathbb{C}$ are sequences of complex numbers. Then, using the relations described in Proposition [5.4,](#page-9-1) the above system of equations yields a pair of recurrence relations on A_h and *Bh*

$$
\left(2\pi i(l - i\delta m) - \frac{\beta}{\delta}\right) A_h + \frac{\beta}{\delta} B_h - 2i(h + 1)\sqrt{2\pi m\beta} B_{h+1} = 0,
$$

$$
\left(-2\pi i(l + i\delta m) + \frac{\beta}{\delta}\right) B_h - \frac{\beta}{\delta} A_h - i\sqrt{2\pi m\beta} A_{h-1} = 0.
$$

In principle, it should be possible to describe the asymptotic behaviour of this system as *h* → ∞. This would allow us to determine the sequences $(A_h, B_h)_{h \in \mathbb{N}_0}$ for which the sum over $A_h g_{J,h}$ and $B_h g_{J,h}$ converges.

In this example however, there is a simpler way to find the solutions. If, instead of

$$
g_{J,h} = e^{2\pi i (qy + mz + lt)} \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}} F_h \left(\sqrt{2\pi |m| \frac{1}{\beta}} \left(x + \frac{q}{m} + \xi \right) \right) e^{2\pi i m \xi y},
$$

we use a slightly modified basis

$$
\widetilde{g}_{J,h} = e^{2\pi i (qy + mz + lt)} \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{-i\frac{x}{\delta}} F_h \left(\sqrt{2\pi |m| \frac{1}{\beta}} \left(x + \frac{q}{m} + \xi \right) \right) e^{2\pi i m \xi y},
$$

then we have (for $m > 0$)

$$
U_1 \widetilde{g}_{J,h} = -\sqrt{2\pi m \beta} \widetilde{g}_{J,h+1} - i \frac{\beta}{\delta} \widetilde{g}_{J,h},
$$

$$
\overline{U_1} \widetilde{g}_{J,h} = 2h \sqrt{2\pi m \beta} \widetilde{g}_{J,h-1} - i \frac{\beta}{\delta} \widetilde{g}_{J,h}.
$$

By writing

$$
F = \sum_{h=0}^{\infty} \widetilde{A}_h \widetilde{g}_{J,h}, \qquad G = \sum_{h=0}^{\infty} \widetilde{B}_h \widetilde{g}_{J,h}
$$

we obtain a new recurrence relation for A_h and B_h

$$
\left(2\pi i(l - i\delta m) - \frac{\beta}{\delta}\right)\widetilde{A}_h - 2i(h + 1)\sqrt{2\pi m\beta}\widetilde{B}_{h+1} = 0,
$$

$$
\left(-2\pi i(l + i\delta m) + \frac{\beta}{\delta}\right)\widetilde{B}_h - i\sqrt{2\pi m\beta}\widetilde{A}_{h-1} = 0.
$$

Eliminating the A_h terms, we get

$$
\left(4\pi^2(l^2+\delta^2m^2)+4\pi il\frac{\beta}{\delta}-\frac{\beta^2}{\delta^2}+4\pi mh\beta\right)\widetilde{B}_h=0,
$$

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thus we have a non-trivial solution iff

$$
4\pi^{2}(l^{2} + \delta^{2}m^{2}) + 4\pi il \frac{\beta}{\delta} - \frac{\beta^{2}}{\delta^{2}} + 4\pi mh\beta \neq 0.
$$

Considering the imaginary part first, we find that $l = 0$. The real part then gives us the condition

$$
4\pi^2\delta^4 m^2 + 4\pi m h \beta \delta^2 - \beta^2 \neq 0
$$

In this way we have re-obtained the same result of [\[14](#page-17-1), Section 3.2] with a different method.

7 Example: *@***-harmonic** *(***0***,* **1***)***-forms on** *KT***⁶**

We will now consider an example, calculating $h_{\bar{\partial}}^{0,1}$ on KT^6 for some family of almost Hermitian structures. Define an almost complex structure $J_{a,b,c}$ on KT^6 , depending on $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$, given by

$$
\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \mapsto a \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}
$$
\n
$$
J: \frac{\partial}{\partial y_1} + x_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \mapsto b \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_2} + x_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right)
$$
\n
$$
\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mapsto c \frac{\partial}{\partial z}.
$$

Any left invariant Hermitian metric *ga*,*b*,*c*,ρ ,σ,τ can then be chosen by setting

$$
\rho\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1},\ \rho a\frac{\partial}{\partial x_2},\ \sigma\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_1}+x_1\frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right),\ \sigma b\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_2}+x_2\frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right),\ \tau\frac{\partial}{\partial t},\ \tau c\frac{\partial}{\partial z}
$$

to be orthonormal vectors, for ρ , σ , $\tau \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}.$

It will be convenient to define the vector fields

$$
U_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + i \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial y_1} + x_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right], \qquad U_3 = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + ci \frac{\partial}{\partial z},
$$

$$
U_2 = a \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} + bi \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial y_2} + x_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right],
$$

while frame of $(1, 0)$ -vector fields is

$$
V_1 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} - ai \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} \right), \qquad V_3 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - ci \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right),
$$

$$
V_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial y_1} + x_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right] - bi \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial y_2} + x_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right] \right),
$$

and the dual frame of $(1, 0)$ -forms is then given by

$$
\phi^1 = dx_1 + \frac{i}{a} dx_2, \qquad \phi^2 = dy_1 + \frac{i}{b} dy_2, \qquad \phi^3 = dt + \frac{i}{c} \left[dz - x_1 dy_1 - x_2 dy_2 \right],
$$

with structure equations

$$
d\phi^{1} = 0, \quad d\phi^{2} = 0,
$$

$$
d\phi^{3} = i\frac{ab - 1}{4c} \left(\phi^{12} + \phi^{\bar{12}}\right) + i\frac{ab + 1}{4c} \left(\phi^{2\bar{1}} - \phi^{1\bar{2}}\right).
$$

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A general (0, 1)-form can be written as $s = F\overline{\phi^1} + G\overline{\phi^2} + K\overline{\phi^3} \in A^{0,1}(KT^6)$, for some smooth complex valued functions *F*, *G*, *K* ∈ $C^{\infty}(KT^6)$. We want to know when $s \in \mathcal{H}_{\bar{\partial}}^{0,1}$, i.e., when $\Delta_{\bar{z}} s = 0$, which holds if and only if the two conditions $\bar{\partial} s = 0$ and $\bar{\partial} * s = 0$ are satisfied. From these we obtain the PDEs

$$
\begin{cases}\n-\overline{V_2}F + \overline{V_1}G + i\frac{ab-1}{4c}K = 0, \\
-\overline{V_3}F + \overline{V_1}K = 0, \\
-\overline{V_3}G + \overline{V_2}K = 0, \\
\sigma^2\tau^2V_1F + \rho^2\tau^2V_2G + \rho^2\sigma^2V_3K = 0.\n\end{cases} (7)
$$

Notice that these PDEs all involve only left-invariant differential operators and so the decomposition of functions given in [\(2\)](#page-4-0) can help us find solutions.

In particular, it is sufficient to find the solutions when *F*, *G*, *K* are in S_I for fixed $I \in \mathcal{I}$ and the solutions when *F*, *G*, *K* are in \mathcal{T}_I for fixed $J \in \mathcal{J}$.

7.1 Solutions in *^S^I*

In this section we will make use of the basis of S_I given by

$$
f_I = f_{p,q,l} = e^{2\pi i (p_1 x_1 + p_2 x_2 + q_1 y_1 + q_2 y_2 + lt)}
$$

for any $I = (p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2, l) \in \mathcal{I} = \mathbb{Z}^5$. The functions *F*, *G*, *K* can be expressed in this basis as

$$
F = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{I}} F_I f_I, \qquad G = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{I}} G_I f_I, \qquad K = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{I}} K_I f_I.
$$

The vector fields V_1 , V_2 , V_3 , $\overline{V_1}$, $\overline{V_2}$, $\overline{V_3}$ operate on f_I as

$$
V_1 f_I = \pi i (p_1 - i a p_2) f_I, \qquad V_2 f_I = \pi i (q_1 - i b q_2) f_I, \qquad V_3 f_I = \pi i l f_I,
$$

$$
\overline{V_1} f_I = \pi i (p_1 + i a p_2) f_I, \qquad \overline{V_2} f_I = \pi i (q_1 + i b q_2) f_I, \qquad \overline{V_3} f_I = \pi i l f_I.
$$

Therefore system [\(7\)](#page-14-0) reduces into the following system for the coefficients of *F*, *G*, *K*

$$
\begin{cases}\n-\pi(q_1 + ibq_2)F_I + \pi(p_1 + iap_2)G_I + \frac{ab-1}{4c}K_I = 0, \\
-lF_I + (p_1 + iap_2)K_I = 0, \\
-lG_I + (q_1 + ibq_2)K_I = 0, \\
\sigma^2 \tau^2(p_1 - iap_2)F_I + \rho^2 \tau^2(q_1 - ibq_2)G_I + \rho^2 \sigma^2 lK_I = 0.\n\end{cases}
$$

If $l = 0$, then from the second and third equations either $K \in \mathbb{C}$ or $I = 0$. In both cases from the first equation either $K = 0$ or $ab = 1$, i.e., the almost complex structure is integrable. If $l \neq 0$, one can substitute F_l and G_l from the second and the third equations into the first one, obtaining either $K = 0$ or $ab = 1$.

Thus, if $K = 0$, from the first and the last equations we deduce $F, G \in \mathbb{C}$. On the other hand, if $ab = 1$, again from the first and the last equations it follows that $F, G, K \in \mathbb{C}$.

7.2 Solutions in *^T^J*

In this section we will make use of the basis of T_J given by

$$
g_{J,h} = e^{2\pi i (q \cdot y + mz + lt)} \prod_{j=1,2} \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}} F_{h_j} \left(\sqrt{2\pi |m|} \left(x_j + \frac{q_j}{m} + \xi \right) \right) e^{2\pi i m \xi y_j}
$$

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in Corollary [5.3.](#page-9-0) It will be sufficient to consider the case $\rho = \sigma = \tau = 1$. Transform the system [\(7\)](#page-14-0) as follows:

- Make the substitution $F = \alpha + \beta$, $G = i(-\alpha + \beta)$, where $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{T}_J$.
- Replace the second and third equations with the sum of the second equation with $\pm i$ times the third.

This yields the system

$$
\begin{cases}\n(-i\,\overline{V_1} - \overline{V_2})\alpha + (i\,\overline{V_1} - \overline{V_2})\beta + i\,\frac{ab-1}{4c}K = 0, \\
-2\,\overline{V_3}\alpha + (\overline{V_1} + i\,\overline{V_2})K = 0, \\
-2\,\overline{V_3}\beta + (\overline{V_1} - i\,\overline{V_2})K = 0, \\
(V_1 - i\,V_2)\alpha + (V_1 + i\,V_2)\beta + V_3K = 0.\n\end{cases}
$$

Taking into account that

$$
2iV_1 - 2V_2 = iU_1 + U_2, \qquad 2iV_1 + 2V_2 = i\overline{U_1} + \overline{U_2}, \qquad 2\overline{V_3} = U_3,
$$

this system is equivalent to

$$
\begin{cases}\n(-i\overline{U_1} + \overline{U_2})\alpha + (iU_1 - U_2)\beta + i\frac{ab-1}{2c}K = 0, \\
2iU_3\alpha + (-iU_1 + U_2)K = 0, \\
2iU_3\beta + (-i\overline{U_1} + \overline{U_2})K = 0, \\
(i\overline{U_1} + \overline{U_2})\alpha + (iU_1 + U_2)\beta + i\overline{U_3}K = 0.\n\end{cases}
$$

Now we make use of the basis given by $g_{J,h}$ to write α, β, K as

$$
\alpha = \sum_{h_1, h_2 \in \mathbb{N}_0} A_{h_1, h_2} g_{h_1, h_2},
$$

$$
\beta = \sum_{h_1, h_2 \in \mathbb{N}_0} B_{h_1, h_2} g_{h_1, h_2},
$$

$$
K = \sum_{h_1, h_2 \in \mathbb{N}_0} K_{h_1, h_2} g_{h_1, h_2}.
$$

Substituting this into the above system of equations and assuming that $m > 0$ gives conditions on the coefficients $A_{h_1,h_2}, B_{h_1,h_2}, K_{h_1,h_2} \in \mathbb{C}$.

$$
\begin{cases}\n2\sqrt{2\pi m}\left[-i(h_1+1)A_{h_1+1,h_2} + \sqrt{ab}(h_2+1)A_{h_1,h_2+1}\right] +\n+\sqrt{2\pi m}\left[-iB_{h_1-1,h_2} + \sqrt{ab}B_{h_1,h_2-1}\right] + i\frac{ab-1}{2c}K_{h_1,h_2} = 0, \\
-4\pi(l + i\,c\,m)A_{h_1,h_2} + \sqrt{2\pi m}\left[iK_{h_1-1,h_2} - \sqrt{ab}K_{h_1,h_2-1}\right] = 0, \\
-4\pi(l + i\,c\,m)B_{h_1,h_2} + 2\sqrt{2\pi m}\left[-i(h_1+1)K_{h_1+1,h_2} + \sqrt{ab}(h_2+1)K_{h_1,h_2+1}\right] = 0, \\
2\sqrt{2\pi m}\left[i(h_1+1)A_{h_1+1,h_2} + \sqrt{ab}(h_2+1)A_{h_1,h_2+1}\right] +\n-\sqrt{2\pi m}\left[iB_{h_1-1,h_2} + \sqrt{ab}B_{h_1,h_2-1}\right] - 2\pi(l - i\,c\,m)K_{h_1,h_2} = 0.\n\end{cases}
$$

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$$
\begin{cases} K_{h_1, h_2}(1 - ab) (3m - i\frac{l}{c}) = 0, \\ K_{h_1, h_2} [2\pi (l^2 + c^2 m^2) + m(2h_1 + 1)] = 0. \end{cases}
$$

We see that independently from both equations $K_{h_1,h_2} = 0$ for all $h_1, h_2 \in \mathbb{N}_0$. In particular, since the first equation in the system is obtained just from asking $\overline{\partial}s = 0$, we deduce that if *ab* \neq 1 then there are no (non zero) $\overline{\partial}$ -closed (0, 1)-forms lying in *T_J*. A nearly identical argument shows that the same is true when $m < 0$.

Theorem 7.1 *If ab* \neq 1*, then for any choice of a left invariant metric g on* (*KT*⁶, *J_ab*,*c*) *we have*

$$
\mathcal{H}_{\overline{\partial}}^{0,1}=\mathbb{C}<\overline{\phi^1},\overline{\phi^2}>.
$$

If ab = 1*, i.e.,* $J_{a,b,c}$ *is integrable, then on* $(KT^6, J_{a,b,c})$ *we have*

$$
\mathcal{H}_{\overline{\partial}}^{0,1} \simeq H_{\overline{\partial}}^{0,1} \simeq \mathbb{C} < \overline{\phi^1}, \overline{\phi^2}, \overline{\phi^3} > .
$$

Proof If $ab \neq 1$, then the solutions of $\Delta_{\overline{3}} s = 0$ in S_I are generated by $\overline{\phi^1}$, $\overline{\phi^2}$ for any choice of a left invariant metric $g_{a,b,c,\rho,\sigma,\tau}$, while in \mathcal{T}_J there are no (non zero) $\overline{\partial}$ -closed (0, 1)forms and thus no $\overline{\partial}$ -harmonic (0, 1)-forms. If $ab = 1$, then Dolbeault cohomology is metric independent and so we can choose the metric *g_{a,b,c,1,1,1}* to compute it solving $\Delta_{\overline{\partial}} s = 0$. The solutions in *S_I* are generated by $\overline{\phi^1}$, $\overline{\phi^2}$, $\overline{\phi^3}$, while in \mathcal{T}_J there are no (non zero) $\overline{\partial}$ -harmonic (0, 1)-forms. $(0, 1)$ -forms.

Note that, given any left invariant integrable almost complex structure J on KT^6 , we have the following bounds on the values that $h_{\overline{\partial}}^{0,1}$ can take. By [\[22](#page-17-19), Corollary 3.10], $\mathcal{H}_{\overline{\partial}}^{0,1}$ is made of left invariant forms, therefore $h^{0,1} \leq 3$. Similarly, $h^{1,0}_{\frac{1}{3}} \leq 3$. Since $b^1 = 5$, then the Frölicher inequality [\[10](#page-17-20)] and the previous upper bounds yield

$$
5 \le h_{\overline{\partial}}^{1,0} + h_{\overline{\partial}}^{0,1} \le 6,
$$

and the upper bounds again imply

$$
2 \le h_{\overline{\partial}}^{0,1} \le 3.
$$

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