SYMPLECTIC CHAIN COMPLEX AND REIDEMEISTER TORSION OF COMPACT MANIFOLDS

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Abstract

Using symplectic complex, this article proves a formula for computing the Reidemeister torsion of even dimensional oriented closed connected manifolds. Moreover, it presents applications to Riemann surfaces and Grassmannians.

Introduction

Reidemeister torsion is a topological invariant and was introduced by Reidemeister in 1935. Up to PL equivalence, he classified the lens spaces S^3/Γ , where Γ is a finite cyclic group of fixed point free orthogonal transformations [20]. In [8], Franz extended the Reidemeister torsion and classified the higher dimensional lens spaces S^{2n+1}/Γ , where Γ is a cyclic group acting freely and isometrically on the sphere S^{2n+1} .

In 1964, the results of Reidemeister and Franz were extended by de Rham to spaces of constant curvature +1 [7]. Kirby and Siebenmann proved the topological invariance of the Reidemeister torsion for manifolds in 1969 [12]. Chapman proved invariance for arbitrary simplicial complexes [5], [6]. Hence, the classification of lens spaces of Reidemeister and Franz was actually topological (i.e., up to homeomorphism).

Using the Reidemeister torsion, Milnor disproved *Hauptvermutung* in 1961. He constructed two homeomorphic but combinatorially distinct finite simplicial complexes. He identified in 1962 the Reidemeister torsion with the Alexander polynomial which plays an important role in knot theory and links [16], [18].

In the paper [22], we explained the claim mentioned in [27, p. 187] about the relation between a symplectic chain complex with ω -compatible bases and its Reidemeister torsion (Theorem 1.7). Moreover, we applied Theorem 1.7 to the chain-complex

$$0 \longrightarrow C_2(\Sigma_g; \operatorname{Ad}_{\varrho}) \xrightarrow{\partial_2 \otimes \operatorname{id}} C_1(\Sigma_g; \operatorname{Ad}_{\varrho}) \xrightarrow{\partial_1 \otimes \operatorname{id}} C_0(\Sigma_g; \operatorname{Ad}_{\varrho}) \longrightarrow 0,$$

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where Σ_g is a compact Riemann surface of genus g > 1, where ∂ is the usual boundary operator, and where $\varrho : \pi_1(\Sigma_g) \to \text{PSL}_2(\mathsf{R})$ is a discrete and faithful representation of the fundamental group $\pi_1(\Sigma_g)$ of Σ_g [22].

In the present article, oriented closed connected 2m-manifolds ($m \ge 1$) are considered and the following formula for computing the Reidemeister torsion of them is proved. Namely,

THEOREM 0.1. Let M be an oriented closed connected 2m-manifold ($m \ge 1$). For p = 0, ..., 2m, let \mathbf{h}_p be a basis of $H_p(M)$. Then, the Reidemeister torsion of M satisfies the following formula:

$$\left|\mathsf{T}(M, \{\mathbf{h}_{p}\}_{0}^{2m})\right| = \prod_{p=0}^{m-1} \left|\det H_{p,2m-p}(M)\right|^{(-1)^{p}} \sqrt{\left|\det H_{m,m}(M)\right|}^{(-1)^{m}}$$

where det $H_{p,2m-p}(M)$ is the determinant of the matrix of the intersection pairing $(\cdot, \cdot)_{p,2m-p} : H_p(M) \times H_{2m-p}(M) \to \mathsf{R}$ in bases $\mathbf{h}_p, \mathbf{h}_{2m-p}$.

Throughout the paper, by manifold we mean smooth manifold.

It is well known that Riemann surfaces and Grassmannians have many applications in a wide range of mathematics such as topology, differential geometry, algebraic geometry, symplectic geometry, and theoretical physics (see, e.g., [1]–[4], [9], [10], [13], [14], [22]–[27], and the references therein). We also apply Theorem 0.1 to Riemann surfaces and Grassmannians.

The content of the paper is as follows. In §1, we provide the basic definitions and facts about the Reidemeister torsion of a general chain complex. Moreover, we explain symplectic chain complexes. §2 concerns the Reidemeister torsion of a manifold. We explain in §3 the symplectic chain complex associated to a 2m-manifold with m odd. Furthermore, the proof of Theorem 0.1 is given. As applications, Theorem 0.1 is applied in §4 to Riemann surfaces and Grassmanians.

1. Reidemeister torsion of a chain complex

In this section, the required definitions and the basic facts about the Reidemeister torsion are given. Detailed proofs and more information can be found in [19], [22], [27], and the references therein.

We shall reserve F to denote the field of real R or complex C numbers. Let

$$(C_*, \partial_*) = (C_n \xrightarrow{\partial_n} C_{n-1} \to \cdots \to C_1 \xrightarrow{\partial_1} C_0 \to 0)$$

be a chain complex of finite dimensional vector spaces over F. Let $H_p(C_*) = Z_p(C_*)/B_p(C_*)$ denote the *p*-th homology of C_* , where $B_p(C_*) = \text{Im}\{\partial_{p+1} : C_{p+1} \to C_p\}$, and $Z_p(C_*) = \text{ker}\{\partial_p : C_p \to C_{p-1}\}$.

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Clearly, we have the following short-exact sequences: $0 \rightarrow Z_p(C_*) \rightarrow C_p \rightarrow B_{p-1}(C_*) \rightarrow 0$ and $0 \rightarrow B_p(C_*) \rightarrow Z_p(C_*) \rightarrow H_p(C_*) \rightarrow 0$. Assume that \mathbf{b}_p , \mathbf{h}_p are bases of $B_p(C_*)$, $H_p(C_*)$, respectively. Assume also that $\ell_p : H_p(C_*) \rightarrow Z_p(C_*)$, $s_p : B_{p-1}(C_*) \rightarrow C_p$ are sections of $Z_p(C_*) \rightarrow H_p(C_*)$, $C_p \rightarrow B_{p-1}(C_*)$, respectively. Then, we obtain a new basis of C_p , namely $\mathbf{b}_p \oplus \ell_p(\mathbf{h}_p) \oplus s_p(\mathbf{b}_{p-1})$.

DEFINITION 1.1. Let

$$C_*: C_n \xrightarrow{\partial_n} C_{n-1} \to \cdots \to C_1 \xrightarrow{\partial_1} C_0 \to 0$$

be a chain complex of finite dimensional vector spaces over F. For p = 0, ..., n, let \mathbf{c}_p , \mathbf{b}_p , \mathbf{h}_p be bases of C_p , $B_p(C_*)$, $H_p(C_*)$, respectively, and let $\ell_p : H_p(C_*) \to Z_p(C_*)$, $s_p : B_{p-1}(C_*) \to C_p$ be sections of $Z_p(C_*) \to H_p(C_*)$, $C_p \to B_{p-1}(C_*)$, respectively. The *Reidemeister torsion* of C_* with respect to bases $\{\mathbf{c}_p\}_{p=0}^n, \{\mathbf{h}_p\}_{p=0}^n$ is the alternating product

$$\mathsf{T}(C_*, \{\mathbf{c}_p\}_0^n, \{\mathbf{h}_p\}_0^n) = \prod_{p=0}^n [\mathbf{b}_p \oplus \ell_p(\mathbf{h}_p) \oplus s_p(\mathbf{b}_{p-1}), \mathbf{c}_p]^{(-1)^{(p+1)}},$$

where $[\mathbf{e}_p, \mathbf{f}_p]$ denotes the determinant of the change-base-matrix from basis \mathbf{f}_p to \mathbf{e}_p of C_p .

REMARK 1.2. Milnor proved that the Reidemeister torsion does not depend on bases \mathbf{b}_p , sections s_p , ℓ_p [17]. Let \mathbf{c}'_p , \mathbf{h}'_p be other bases respectively for C_p , $H_p(C_*)$. Then, by an easy computation we have the following change-baseformula:

(1.1)
$$\mathsf{T}(C_*, \{\mathbf{c}'_p\}_0^n, \{\mathbf{h}'_p\}_0^n) = \prod_{p=0}^n \left(\frac{[\mathbf{c}'_p, \mathbf{c}_p]}{[\mathbf{h}'_p, \mathbf{h}_p]}\right)^{(-1)^p} \mathsf{T}(C_*, \{\mathbf{c}_p\}_0^n, \{\mathbf{h}_p\}_0^n).$$

By the independence of the Reidemeister torsion from \mathbf{b}_p and sections s_p , ℓ_p , formula (1.1) is easily obtained. Note that if, for example, $[\mathbf{c}'_p, \mathbf{c}_p] = 1$, $[\mathbf{h}'_p, \mathbf{h}_p] = -1$, then the torsions are the same for odd n, and torsions have opposite sign for even n.

It follows from the Snake Lemma that a short-exact sequence of chain complexes

(1.2)
$$0 \to A_* \xrightarrow{\iota} B_* \xrightarrow{\pi} D_* \to 0$$

yields a long-exact sequence of vector spaces C_* of length 3n + 2. Namely,

(1.3)
$$C_*: \dots \to H_p(A_*) \xrightarrow{\iota_p} H_p(B_*) \xrightarrow{\pi_p} H_p(D_*) \xrightarrow{\delta_p} H_{p-1}(A_*) \to \dots,$$

where $C_{3p} = H_p(D_*)$, $C_{3p+1} = H_p(A_*)$, and $C_{3p+2} = H_p(B_*)$.

Clearly, the bases \mathbf{h}_p^D , \mathbf{h}_p^A , and \mathbf{h}_p^B serve as bases for C_{3p} , C_{3p+1} , and C_{3p+2} , respectively.

The following result of Milnor states that the alternating product of the torsions of the chain complexes in (1.2) is equal to the torsion of (1.3). More precisely,

THEOREM 1.3 ([17]). Let \mathbf{c}_p^A , \mathbf{c}_p^B , and \mathbf{c}_p^D be bases respectively for A_p , B_p , and D_p . Let \mathbf{h}_p^A , \mathbf{h}_p^B , and \mathbf{h}_p^D be bases of $H_p(A_*)$, $H_p(B_*)$, and $H_p(D_*)$, respectively. If, moreover, \mathbf{c}_p^A , \mathbf{c}_p^B , \mathbf{c}_p^D are compatible in the sense that $[\mathbf{c}_p^B, \mathbf{c}_p^A \oplus \widetilde{\mathbf{c}_p^D}] = \pm 1$, where $\pi(\widetilde{\mathbf{c}_p^D}) = \mathbf{c}_p^D$, then

$$\mathsf{T}(B_*, \{\mathbf{c}_p^B\}_0^n, \{\mathbf{h}_p^B\}_0^n) = \mathsf{T}(A_*, \{\mathbf{c}_p^A\}_0^n, \{\mathbf{h}_p^A\}_0^n) \mathsf{T}(D_*, \{\mathbf{c}_p^D\}_{p=0}^n, \{\mathbf{h}_p^D\}_0^n) \\ \times \mathsf{T}(C_*, \{\mathbf{c}_{3p}\}_0^{3n+2}, \{0\}_0^{3n+2}),$$

where $[\mathbf{e}_p, \mathbf{f}_p]$ is the determinant of the change-base-matrix from basis \mathbf{f}_p to \mathbf{e}_p of B_p .

For future reference, let us prove the following sum-lemma:

LEMMA 1.4. Let A_* , D_* be two chain complexes. Let \mathbf{c}_p^A , \mathbf{c}_p^D , \mathbf{h}_p^A , and \mathbf{h}_p^D be bases of A_p , D_p , $H_p(A_*)$, and $H_p(D_*)$, respectively. Then,

$$\mathsf{T}(A_* \oplus D_*, \{\mathbf{c}_p^A \oplus \mathbf{c}_p^D\}_0^n, \{\mathbf{h}_p^A \oplus \mathbf{h}_p^D\}_0^n) = \mathsf{T}(A_*, \{\mathbf{c}_p^A\}_0^n, \{\mathbf{h}_p^A\}_0^n) \mathsf{T}(D_*, \{\mathbf{c}_p^D\}_0^n, \{\mathbf{h}_p^D\}_0^n).$$

PROOF. Clearly, we have the following short exact sequence

(1.4)
$$0 \to A_* \xrightarrow{\iota} A_* \oplus D_* \xrightarrow{\pi} D_* \to 0,$$

where for p = 0, ..., n, $\iota_p : A_p \to A_p \oplus D_p$ is the inclusion, and $\pi_p : A_p \oplus D_p \to D_p$ is the projection.

Note also that the bases \mathbf{c}_p^A , $\mathbf{c}_p^A \oplus \mathbf{c}_p^D$, and \mathbf{c}_p^D are compatible, where one can consider the inclusion as a section of $\pi_p : A_p \oplus D_p \to D_p$. Then, by Theorem 1.3, we obtain that $T(A_* \oplus D_*, \{\mathbf{c}_p^A \oplus \mathbf{c}_p^D\}_0^n, \{\mathbf{h}_p^A \oplus \mathbf{h}_p^D\}_0^n) = T(A_*, \{\mathbf{c}_p^A\}_0^n, \{\mathbf{h}_p^A\}_0^n)T(D_*, \{\mathbf{c}_p^D\}_0^n, \{\mathbf{h}_p^D\}_0^n)T(C_*, \{\mathbf{c}_3p\}_0^{3n+2}, \{0\}_0^{3n+2})$, where C_* is the long exact sequence obtained from short-exact sequence (1.4). Namely,

$$C_*: 0 \to H_n(A_*) \xrightarrow{\iota_n} H_n(A_* \oplus D_*) \xrightarrow{\pi_n} H_n(D_*) \xrightarrow{\delta_n} H_{n-1}(A_*) \to \cdots$$

Considering the projection $H_p(A_* \oplus D_*) \to H_p(A_*)$ as a section for $H_p(A_*) \to H_p(A_* \oplus D_*)$, the inclusion $H_p(D_*) \to H_p(A_* \oplus D_*)$ for $H_p(A_* \oplus D_*) \to H_p(D_*)$, and the zero map $H_{p-1}(A_*) \to H_p(D_*)$ for $H_p(D_*) \to H_{p-1}(A_*)$, we get $\mathsf{T}(C_*) = 1$.

This completes the proof of Lemma 1.4.

Independently, it is explained in [1], [22] that a general chain complex can (unnaturally) be split as a direct sum of an acyclic and ∂ -zero chain complexes. Moreover, it is proved independently in [1, Proposition 1.5] and [22, Theorem 2.0.4] that the Reidemeister torsion $T(C_*)$ of a general complex C_* can be interpreted as an element of $\bigotimes_{p=0}^{n} (\det(H_p(C_*)))^{(-1)^{p+1}}$. For detailed proof and further information, we may refer the readers to [1], [22].

DEFINITION 1.5. A symplectic chain complex of length q is $(C_*, \partial_*, \{\omega_{*,q-*}\})$, where

$$C_*: 0 \to C_q \xrightarrow{\partial_q} C_{q-1} \to \cdots \to C_{q/2} \to \cdots \to C_1 \xrightarrow{\partial_1} C_0 \to 0$$

is a chain complex with $q \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$, and for $p = 0, \ldots, q, \omega_{p,q-p}$: $C_p \times C_{q-p} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a ∂ -compatible anti-symmetric non-degenerate bilinear form. To be more precise,

$$\omega_{p,q-p}(\partial_{p+1}a, b) = (-1)^{p+1}\omega_{p+1,q-(p+1)}(a, \partial_{q-p}b),$$

$$\omega_{p,q-p}(a, b) = (-1)^{p(q-p)}\omega_{q-p,p}(b, a).$$

Note that by $q \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$, we easily have $\omega_{p,q-p}(a,b) = (-1)^p \omega_{q-p,p}(b,a)$. It follows from the ∂ -compatibility of the non-degenerate anti-symmetric bilinear maps $\omega_{p,q-p} : C_p \times C_{q-p} \to \mathbb{R}$ that one can easily extend these to homologies [22].

DEFINITION 1.6. Let C_* be a symplectic chain complex. We say that bases \mathbf{c}_p of C_p and \mathbf{c}_{q-p} of C_{q-p} are ω -compatible if the matrix of $\omega_{p,q-p}$ in bases \mathbf{c}_p , \mathbf{c}_{q-p} equals the $k \times k$ identity matrix $\mathbf{I}_{k \times k}$ when p less than $\frac{q}{2}$ and

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0_{l \times l} & \mathbf{I}_{l \times l} \\ -\mathbf{I}_{l \times l} & 0_{l \times l} \end{bmatrix}$$

when p = q/2, where $k = \dim C_p = \dim C_{q-p}$ and $2l = \dim C_{q/2}$.

Similarly, considering $[\omega_{p,q-p}]$: $H_p(C_*) \times H_{q-p}(C_*) \to \mathbb{R}$, one can also define the $[\omega]$ -compatibility of bases \mathbf{h}_p of $H_p(C_*)$ and \mathbf{h}_{q-p} of $H_{q-p}(C_*)$.

The existence of ω -compatible bases enabled us to prove in [22] that a symplectic chain complex C_* can be split ω -orthogonally as a direct sum of an

exact and ∂ -zero symplectic complexes. Moreover, we proved Theorem 1.7, which is one of the main results of [22]. Namely,

THEOREM 1.7 ([22]). Let C_* be a symplectic chain complex. For p = 0, ..., q, let \mathbf{c}_p , \mathbf{h}_p be any bases of C_p , $H_p(C_*)$, respectively. Then, for the Reidemeister torsion of C_* with respect to $\{\mathbf{c}_p\}_{0}^{q}$, $\{\mathbf{h}_p\}_{0}^{q}$, the following formula

$$\mathsf{T}(C_*, \{\mathbf{c}_p\}_0^q, \{\mathbf{h}_p\}_0^q) = \prod_{p=0}^{(q/2)-1} \left(\det[\omega_{p,q-p}]\right)^{(-1)^p} \sqrt{\det[\omega_{q/2,q/2}]}^{(-1)^{q/2}}$$

holds, where det $[\omega_{p,q-p}]$ is the determinant of the matrix of the non-degenerate pairing $[\omega_{p,q-p}]$: $H_p(C_*) \times H_{q-p}(C_*) \rightarrow \mathsf{R}$ in bases \mathbf{h}_p , \mathbf{h}_{q-p} .

The proof and unexplained subjects can be found in [22]. For further applications of Theorem 1.7, we refer the reader to [23], [24].

2. The Reidemeister Torsion of a Manifold

Let *M* be an *m*-manifold with a cell decomposition *K*. If $\mathbf{c}_p = \{c_1^p, \ldots, c_{n_p}^p\}$ is the *geometric basis* for the *p*-cells $C_p(K; \mathsf{Z}), p = 0, \ldots, m$, then one can associate to *M* the following chain complex

$$0 \to C_m(K) \xrightarrow{\partial_m} C_{m-1}(K) \to \cdots \to C_1(K) \xrightarrow{\partial_1} C_0(K) \to 0,$$

where Z is the set of integers and ∂_p is the usual boundary operator.

DEFINITION 2.1. Let *M* be an *m*-manifold with a cell decomposition *K*. For p = 0, ..., m, let \mathbf{c}_p and \mathbf{h}_p be bases of $C_p(K; \mathbf{Z})$ and $H_p(M; \mathbf{Z})$, respectively. $T(C_*(K), \{\mathbf{c}_p\}_0^m, \{\mathbf{h}_p\}_0^m)$ is called the *Reidemeister torsion* of *M*.

Using similar arguments introduced in [22, Lemma 2.0.5], one can prove:

LEMMA 2.2. The Reidemeister torsion of M is independent of cell decomposition.

Hence, the Reidemeister torsion $T(C_*(K), \{\mathbf{c}_p\}_0^m, \{\mathbf{h}_p\}_0^m)$ of M is welldefined. Thus, we let $T(M, \{\mathbf{h}_p\}_0^m)$ denote the Reidemeister torsion of M in the bases \mathbf{h}_p of $H_p(M), p = 0, ..., m$.

By [1, Proposition 1.5] and [22, Theorem 2.0.4], one concludes that the Reidemeister torsion of *M* is an element of the dual of 1-dimensional vector space $\bigotimes_{p=0}^{n} (\det(H_p(M))^{(-1)^p})$.

3. Proof of The Main Result

In this section, we provide the proof of Theorem 0.1. To alleviate the notation, let us introduce the following which is used throughout the paper. Let *Y* be an oriented closed connected manifold of dimension *d*. For p = 0, ..., d, let \mathbf{h}_p^Y and \mathbf{h}_{d-p}^Y be bases of $H_p(Y)$ and $H_{d-p}(Y)$, respectively. We denote the matrix of the intersection pairing $(\cdot, \cdot)_{p,d-p} : H_p(Y) \times H_{d-p}(Y) \to \mathbb{R}$ in the bases \mathbf{h}_p^Y and \mathbf{h}_{d-p}^Y by $H_{p,d-p}(Y)$. As convention, we let $H_{p,d-p}(Y) = 1$ when $H_p(Y) = H_{d-p}(Y) = 0$.

3.1. Torsion of oriented closed connected 2*m*-manifold with *m* odd, $\chi \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$

This section will explain the symplectic chain complex associated to compact even dimensional manifolds. Moreover, we provide the proof of Theorem 0.1 for oriented closed connected 2m-manifolds with m odd and Euler characteristic $\chi \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$. Namely,

THEOREM 3.1. Let *M* be an oriented closed connected 2m-manifold with *m* odd and $\chi(M) \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$. For $p = 0, \ldots, 2m$, let \mathbf{h}_p be a basis of $H_p(M)$. Then,

$$\left|\mathsf{T}(M, \{\mathbf{h}_{p}\}_{0}^{2m})\right| = \prod_{p=0}^{m-1} \left|\det H_{p,2m-p}(M)\right|^{(-1)^{p}} \sqrt{\det H_{m,m}(M)}^{(-1)^{m}}$$

PROOF. Let K be a cell decomposition of M. Let K' be the corresponding dual cell decomposition of M associated to K.

Recall that one can get the dual cell decomposition K' as follows. Let $K = \{\sigma_{\alpha}^{k}\}_{\alpha,k}$ and let $\{\tau_{\alpha}^{k}\}_{\alpha,k}$ denote the first barycentric subdivision of K. Then, for each vertex $\sigma_{\alpha}^{0} \in K$, associate the 2m-cell $(\sigma_{\alpha}^{0})' = \bigcup_{\sigma_{\alpha}^{0} \in \tau_{\beta}^{2m}} \tau_{\beta}^{2m}$ given as the union of all 2m-simplices τ_{β}^{2m} in the subdivision with σ_{α}^{0} as a vertex. For each k-simplex in the cell decomposition K, let $(\sigma_{\alpha}^{k})' = \bigcap_{\sigma_{\beta}^{0} \in \sigma_{\alpha}^{k}} (\sigma_{\beta}^{0})'$ be the intersection of the 2m-cells $(\sigma_{\beta}^{0})'$ associated to the k + 1 vertices of σ_{α}^{k} .

This enables us to obtain the dual cell decomposition $K' = \{\Delta_{\alpha}^{2m-k} = (\sigma_{\alpha}^{k})'\}$ of M corresponding to K. Since $\Delta_{\alpha}^{2m-k} = (\sigma_{\alpha}^{k})'$ and σ_{α}^{k} meet transversely, by giving an orientation on σ_{α}^{k} , one can take the dual orientation on Δ_{α}^{2m-k} to be the one such that at $P \in \sigma_{\alpha}^{k} \cap (\sigma_{\alpha}^{k})'$, $\iota_{P}(\sigma_{\alpha}^{k}, (\sigma_{\alpha}^{k})') = 1$, where ι_{P} denotes the intersection number index at P.

Note that the intersection pairings $(\cdot, \cdot)_{k,2m-k} : C_k(K; Z) \times C_{2m-k}(K'; Z) \rightarrow R$ satisfy the following: for all $\alpha \in C_k(K; Z)$, $\beta \in C_{2m-k}(K'; Z)$

(i)
$$(\alpha, \beta)_{k,2m-k} = (-1)^{k(2m-k)} (\beta, \alpha)_{2m-k,k},$$

(ii)
$$(\alpha, \partial_{2m-k}\beta)_{(k+1),2m-(k+1)} = (-1)^{2m-k+1} (\partial_{k+1}\alpha, \beta)_{k,2m-k},$$

where ∂ denotes the boundary operator.

From the similar property of the intersection number index (i) follows. Using $\partial_{2m-k}(\Delta_{\alpha}^{2m-k}) = (-1)^{2m-k+1}(\partial_k(\alpha_{\alpha}^k))'$, (ii) is obtained, (see, e.g., [10, p. 55]).

Thus, the intersection pairings $(\cdot, \cdot)_{k,2m-k}$ are ∂ -compatible anti-symmetric bilinear maps.

Let $D_p = C_p(K; \mathsf{Z}) \oplus C_p(K'; \mathsf{Z})$. By defining $(\cdot, \cdot)_{p,2m-p}$ as 0 on $C_p(K; \mathsf{Z}) \times C_{2m-p}(K; \mathsf{Z})$, and $C_p(K'; \mathsf{Z}) \times C_{2m-p}(K'; \mathsf{Z})$, the chain-complex $0 \to D_{2m} \to D_{2m-1} \to \cdots \to D_m \to \cdots \to D_1 \to D_0 \to 0$ becomes a symplectic chain complex.

Clearly, the intersection pairings can be extended to homologies $(\cdot, \cdot)_{p,2m-p} : H_p(M) \times H_{2m-p}(M) \to \mathbb{R}.$

It follows from Theorem 1.7 that

(3.1)
$$\mathsf{T}(D_*, \{\mathbf{c}_p \oplus \mathbf{c}'_p\}_0^{2m}, \{\mathbf{h}_p \oplus \mathbf{h}_p\}_0^{2m})$$

= $\prod_{p=0}^{m-1} \left(\det[\omega_{p,2m-p}]\right)^{(-1)^p} \sqrt{\det[\omega_{m,m}]}^{(-1)^m},$

where det[$\omega_{k,2m-k}$] is the determinant of

$$[\omega_{k,2m-k}] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & (\cdot, \cdot)_{k,2m-k} \\ (\cdot, \cdot)_{k,2m-k} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \colon H_k(D_*) \times H_{2m-k}(D_*) \to \mathsf{R}$$

in the bases $\mathbf{h}_k \oplus \mathbf{h}_k$, $\mathbf{h}_{2m-k} \oplus \mathbf{h}_{2m-k}$, where $(\cdot, \cdot)_{k,2m-k} : H_k(M) \times H_{2m-k}(M) \to \mathbb{R}$ is the extension of the intersection pairing $(\cdot, \cdot)_{k,2m-k} : C_k(K; \mathsf{Z}) \times C_{2m-k}(K'; \mathsf{Z}) \to \mathbb{R}$.

Note that for $p = 0, \ldots, m$,

(3.2)
$$\det[\omega_{p,2m-p}] = (-1)^{\dim H_p(M)} \det H_{p,2m-p}(M)^2.$$

Note also that since $(\cdot, \cdot)_{m,m} : H_m(M) \times H_m(M) \to \mathbb{R}$ is non-degenerate anti-symmetric, the matrix $H_{m,m}(M)$ has positive determinant.

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Hence, combining equations (3.1) and (3.2), we have

(3.3)
$$\mathsf{T}(D_*, \{\mathbf{c}_p \oplus \mathbf{c}'_p\}_0^{2m}, \{\mathbf{h}_p \oplus \mathbf{h}_p\}_0^{2m})$$

= $(-1)^{\chi(M)/2} \left(\prod_{p=0}^{m-1} \det H_{p,2m-p}(M)^{(-1)^p}\right)^2 \det H_{m,m}(M)^{(-1)^m},$

where $\chi(M)$ is the Euler characteristic of *M*.

For an oriented closed connected 2*m*-manifold *M* with *m* odd, $\chi(M)$ is even (see, e.g., [15, p. 164]). By the assumption $\chi(M) \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$, (3.3) becomes

(3.4)
$$\mathsf{T}(D_*, \{\mathbf{c}_p \oplus \mathbf{c}'_p\}_0^{2m}, \{\mathbf{h}_p \oplus \mathbf{h}_p\}_0^{2m})$$

= $\left(\prod_{p=0}^{m-1} \det H_{p,2m-p}(M)^{(-1)^p}\right)^2 \det H_{m,m}(M)^{(-1)^m}$.

Now, if we consider the inclusion $C_p(K; Z) \rightarrow D_p$ and the projection $D_p \rightarrow C_p(K'; Z)$, then we obtain the following short-exact sequence of chain complexes $0 \rightarrow C_*(K; Z) \rightarrow D_* \rightarrow C_*(K'; Z) \rightarrow 0$.

Let us take the inclusion $s_p : C_p(K'; \mathbb{Z}) \to D_p$ as a section of $D_p \to C_p(K'; \mathbb{Z})$. Then, the determinant of the change-base-matrix from $\mathbf{c}_p \oplus s_p(\mathbf{c}'_p)$ to $\mathbf{c}_p \oplus \mathbf{c}'_p$ is equal to 1, and hence the bases \mathbf{c}_p of $C_p(K; \mathbb{Z})$, $\mathbf{c}_p \oplus s_p(\mathbf{c}'_p)$ of D_p , and \mathbf{c}'_p of $C_p(K'; \mathbb{Z})$ are compatible.

Thus, by Lemma 1.4 and Lemma 2.2, we get

(3.5)
$$\mathsf{T}(D_*, \{\mathbf{c}_p \oplus \mathbf{c}'_p\}_0^{2m}, \{\mathbf{h}_p \oplus \mathbf{h}_p\}_0^{2m}) = (\mathsf{T}(M, \{\mathbf{h}_p\}_{p=0}^{2m}))^2.$$

Combining (3.4) and (3.5), we conclude the proof of Theorem 3.1.

3.2. The torsion of oriented closed connected 4k-manifold with χ even

THEOREM 3.2. If *M* is an oriented closed connected 2m-manifold with *m* even and $\chi(M)$ even, and if \mathbf{h}_p is a basis of $H_p(M)$, p = 0, ..., 2m, then

$$\left|\mathsf{T}(M, \{\mathbf{h}_{p}\}_{0}^{2m})\right| = \prod_{p=0}^{m-1} \left|\det H_{p, 2m-p}(M)\right|^{(-1)^{p}} \sqrt{\left|\det H_{m, m}(M)\right|}^{(-1)^{m}}$$

PROOF. Let us consider $N = M \times S^2$, where S^2 is the unit 2-sphere. Clearly, N is an oriented closed connected 2(m + 1)-manifold with m + 1 odd and $\chi(N) = 0 \pmod{4}$. Let us also consider the usual CW structure of S^2 with

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two cells, say, \mathbf{c}_0' , \mathbf{c}_2' . Let \mathbf{h}_0' and \mathbf{h}_2' be bases of homologies of \mathbf{S}^2 so that $(\mathbf{h}_0', \mathbf{h}_2')_{0.2} = 1.$ For p = 2m + 1, 2m + 2, $C_p(N) = C_{p-2}(M) \otimes C_2(S^2)$, for p = 2, ..., 2m, $C_p(N) = C_{p-2}(M) \otimes C_2(S^2) \oplus C_p(M) \otimes C_0(S^2)$, and for $p = 0, 1, C_p(N) =$ $C_p(M) \otimes C_0(S^2).$ Clearly, we have (3.6) $\rightarrow 0$ $\rightarrow 0$ $0 \longrightarrow C_{2m-2}(M) \otimes C_2(\mathsf{S}^2) \xrightarrow{\iota_{2m}} C_{2m}(N) \xrightarrow{\pi_{2m}} C_{2m}(M) \otimes C_0(\mathsf{S}^2) \longrightarrow 0$ $0 \longrightarrow C_{m-1}(M) \otimes C_2(\mathsf{S}^2) \xrightarrow{\iota_{m+1}} C_{m+1}(N) \xrightarrow{\pi_{m+1}} C_{m+1}(M) \otimes C_0(\mathsf{S}^2) \longrightarrow 0$ $0 \longrightarrow C_0(M) \otimes C_2(\mathbf{S}^2) \xrightarrow{\iota_2} C_2(N) \xrightarrow{\pi_2} C_2(M) \otimes C_0(\mathbf{S}^2) \longrightarrow 0$ $\xrightarrow{\iota_1} C_1(N) \xrightarrow{\pi_1} C_1(M) \otimes C_0(\mathsf{S}^2) \longrightarrow 0$ $0 \longrightarrow$ $\begin{array}{ccc} & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ \xrightarrow{\iota_0} & C_0(N) & \xrightarrow{\pi_0} & C_0(M) \otimes C_0(\mathsf{S}^2) & \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$ 0 $0 \longrightarrow$ 0 0.

where ι_p is the inclusion, π_p is the projection $p = 0, \ldots, 2m + 2$.

Note that the bases of the chain complexes in (3.6) are compatible. $C_p(M) \otimes C_0(S^2) \cong C_p(M)$ and $C_p(M) \otimes C_2(S^2) \cong C_p(M)$. From Lemma 1.4 it follows that $T(C_*(N)) = (T(C_*(M))^2$.

Using the Künneth formula (see, e.g., [11, p. 275]), we get for p = 0, 1, $\mathbf{h}_p^N = \mathbf{h}_p \otimes \mathbf{h}_0', \mathbf{h}_{2m+2-p}^N = \mathbf{h}_{2m-p} \otimes \mathbf{h}_2'$, for $p = 2, ..., m, \mathbf{h}_p^N = \mathbf{h}_{p-2} \otimes \mathbf{h}_2' \oplus \mathbf{h}_p \otimes \mathbf{h}_0', \mathbf{h}_{2m+2-p}^N = \mathbf{h}_{2m-p} \otimes \mathbf{h}_2' \oplus \mathbf{h}_{2m+2-p} \otimes \mathbf{h}_0'$, and $\mathbf{h}_{m+1}^N = \mathbf{h}_{m-1} \otimes \mathbf{h}_2' \oplus \mathbf{h}_{m+1} \otimes \mathbf{h}_0'$ are bases of $H_p(N), H_{2m+2-p}(N)$, for p = 0, 1, p = 2, ..., m, and p = m + 1, respectively. It follows from Theorem 3.1 that (3.7)

$$\mathsf{T}(N, \{\mathbf{h}_{p}^{N}\}_{0}^{2m+2}) = \prod_{p=0}^{m} \left|\det H_{p,2m+2-p}(N)\right|^{(-1)^{p}} \sqrt{\det H_{m+1,m+1}(N)}^{(-1)^{m+1}}.$$

By an easy computation, we get for p = 0, 1,

(3.8)
$$\left|\det H_{p,2m+2-p}(N)\right| = \left|\det H_{p,2m-p}(M)\right|,$$

for p = 2, ..., m,

(3.9)
$$\left|\det H_{p,2m+2-p}(N)\right| = \left|\det H_{p,2m-p}(M)\right| \left|\det H_{p-2,2m+2-p}(M)\right|,$$

(3.10)
$$\sqrt{\det H_{m+1,m+1}(N)} = \left|\det H_{m-1,m+1}(M)\right|.$$

From (3.7)–(3.10) it follows that

(3.11)
$$\mathsf{T}(N, \{\mathbf{h}_{p}^{N}\}_{0}^{2m+2}) = \prod_{p=0}^{m-1} \left|\det H_{p,2m-p}(M)^{(-1)^{p}}\right|^{2} \left|\det H_{m,m}(M)\right|^{(-1)^{m}}$$

Thus, by (3.11) and the fact that $T(C_*(N)) = (T(C_*(M))^2)$, we conclude the proof Theorem 3.2.

3.3. The torsion of oriented closed connected 4k-manifold

THEOREM 3.3. Let M be an oriented closed connected 2m-manifold with m even and for p = 0, ..., 2m, let \mathbf{h}_p be a basis of $H_p(M)$. Then, for the Reidemeister torsion of M, the formula

$$\left|\mathsf{T}(M, \{\mathbf{h}_{p}\}_{0}^{2m})\right| = \prod_{p=0}^{m-1} \left|\det H_{p,2m-p}(M)\right|^{(-1)^{p}} \sqrt{\left|\det H_{m,m}(M)\right|}^{(-1)^{m}}$$

is valid.

PROOF. Let N denote $M \times S^2 \times S^2$. N is a closed oriented 2(m+2)-manifold with m + 2 even, and $\chi(N) = 0 \pmod{4}$. Let us also consider the usual CW structure of S^2 with two cells, say, \mathbf{c}'_0 , \mathbf{c}'_2 . Let \mathbf{h}'_0 and \mathbf{h}'_2 be bases for homologies of S^2 so that $(\mathbf{h}'_0, \mathbf{h}'_2)_{0,2} = 1$.

Clearly, for p = 2m+3, 2m+4, $C_p(N) = C_{p-4}(M) \otimes C_4(\mathsf{S}^2 \times \mathsf{S}^2)$, for p = 2m+1, 2m+2, $C_p(N) = C_{p-4}(M) \otimes C_4(\mathsf{S}^2 \times \mathsf{S}^2) \oplus C_{p-2}(M) \otimes C_2(\mathsf{S}^2 \times \mathsf{S}^2)$, for p = 4, ..., 2m, $C_p(N) = C_{p-4}(M) \otimes C_4(\mathsf{S}^2 \times \mathsf{S}^2) \oplus C_{p-2}(M) \otimes C_2(\mathsf{S}^2 \times \mathsf{S}^2)$,

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$$\begin{split} \mathsf{S}^2) &\oplus C_p(M) \otimes C_0(\mathsf{S}^2 \times \mathsf{S}^2), \text{ for } p = 2, 3, C_p(N) = C_{p-2}(M) \otimes C_2(\mathsf{S}^2 \times \mathsf{S}^2) \\ \oplus C_p(M) \otimes C_0(\mathsf{S}^2 \times \mathsf{S}^2), \text{ for } p = 0, 1, C_p(N) = C_p(M) \otimes C_0(\mathsf{S}^2 \times \mathsf{S}^2). \\ \text{ Note that } C_p(M) \otimes C_4(\mathsf{S}^2 \times \mathsf{S}^2) \cong C_p(M), C_p(M) \otimes C_2(\mathsf{S}^2 \times \mathsf{S}^2) \cong C_p(M) \\ \oplus C_p(M), \text{ and } C_p(M) \otimes C_0(\mathsf{S}^2 \times \mathsf{S}^2) \cong C_p(M). \text{ Using the compatibility of the bases, and Lemma 1.4, we have } \mathsf{T}(C_*(N)) = (\mathsf{T}(C_*(M))^4. \end{split}$$

From the Künneth formula it follows that for p = 2m + 3, 2m + 4, $\mathbf{h}_p^N = \mathbf{h}_{p-4} \otimes (\mathbf{h}_2' \otimes \mathbf{h}_2')$, for p = 2m + 1, 2m + 2, $\mathbf{h}_p^N = \mathbf{h}_{p-4} \otimes (\mathbf{h}_2' \otimes \mathbf{h}_2') \oplus \mathbf{h}_{p-2} \otimes (\mathbf{h}_2' \otimes \mathbf{h}_0' \oplus \mathbf{h}_0' \otimes \mathbf{h}_2')$, for $p = 4, \dots, 2m$, $\mathbf{h}_p^N = \mathbf{h}_{p-4} \otimes (\mathbf{h}_2' \otimes \mathbf{h}_2')$ $\mathbf{h}_{p-2} \otimes (\mathbf{h}_2' \otimes \mathbf{h}_0' \oplus \mathbf{h}_0' \otimes \mathbf{h}_2') \oplus \mathbf{h}_p \otimes (\mathbf{h}_0' \otimes \mathbf{h}_0')$, for p = 2, 3, $\mathbf{h}_p^N = \mathbf{h}_{p-2} \otimes (\mathbf{h}_2' \otimes \mathbf{h}_0' \oplus \mathbf{h}_0' \otimes \mathbf{h}_2') \oplus \mathbf{h}_p \otimes (\mathbf{h}_0' \otimes \mathbf{h}_0')$, for p = 2, 3, $\mathbf{h}_p^N = \mathbf{h}_{p-2} \otimes (\mathbf{h}_2' \otimes \mathbf{h}_0' \oplus \mathbf{h}_0' \otimes \mathbf{h}_2') \oplus \mathbf{h}_p \otimes (\mathbf{h}_0' \otimes \mathbf{h}_0')$, and for $p = 0, 1, \mathbf{h}_p^N = \mathbf{h}_p \otimes (\mathbf{h}_0' \otimes \mathbf{h}_0')$ are bases of $H_p(N)$, respectively for $p = 2m + 3, 2m + 4, p = 2m + 1, 2m + 2, p = 4, \dots, 2m$, for p = 2, 3, and p = 0, 1.

By Theorem 3.2, we get

(3.12)
$$|\mathsf{T}(N, \{\mathbf{h}_{p}^{N}\}_{0}^{2m+4})|$$

= $\prod_{p=0}^{m+1} |\det H_{p,2m+4-p}(N)|^{(-1)^{p}} \sqrt{|\det H_{m+2,m+2}(N)|}.$

An easy computation results that for p = 0, 1,

(3.13)
$$\left|\det H_{p,2m+4-p}(N)\right| = \left|\det H_{p,2m-p}(M)\right|$$

for p = 2, 3,

(3.14)
$$\left|\det H_{p,2m+4-p}(N)\right| = \left|\det H_{p-2,2m-p+2}(M)\right|^2 \left|\det H_{p,2m-p}(M)\right|,$$

for
$$p = 4, ..., m$$
,

(3.15)
$$\left|\det H_{p,2m+4-p}(N)\right| = \left|\det H_{p,2m-p}(M)\right| \left|\det H_{p-2,2m-p+2}(M)\right|^2 \times \left|\det H_{p-4,2m-p+4}(M)\right|,$$

(3.16)
$$\left|\det H_{m+1,m+3}(N)\right| = \left|\det H_{m-3,m+3}(M)\right| \left|\det H_{m-1,m+1}(M)\right|^3$$

(3.17)
$$\sqrt{\left|\det H_{m+2,m+2}(N)\right|} = \left|\det H_{m-2,m+2}(M)\right| \left|\det H_{m,m}(M)\right|.$$

Hence, (3.12)–(3.17), and the fact $T(C_*(N)) = (T(C_*(M))^4$ complete the proof of Theorem 3.3.

3.4. Torsion of oriented closed connected 2*m*-manifold with *m* odd, $\chi \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$

The Euler characteristic $\chi(M)$ of an oriented closed connected 2m-manifold M with m odd is even. In Theorem 3.1, we obtained a formula for the Reidemeister torsion of such M with $\chi(M) \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$. In this section, we consider the case when $\chi(M) \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$.

THEOREM 3.4. Let *M* be an oriented closed connected 2m-manifold with *m* odd and $\chi(M) \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$. For $p = 0, \ldots, 2m$, let \mathbf{h}_p be a basis of $H_p(M)$. Then,

$$\left|\mathsf{T}(M, \{\mathbf{h}_{p}^{M}\}_{0}^{2m})\right| = \prod_{p=0}^{m-1} \left|\det H_{p,2m-p}(M)\right|^{(-1)^{p}} \sqrt{\left|\det H_{m,m}(M)\right|}^{(-1)^{m}}$$

PROOF. Let us consider $N = M \times S^2$, where we take the usual CW structure of S^2 with two cells, say, \mathbf{c}'_0 , \mathbf{c}'_2 . Let \mathbf{h}'_0 and \mathbf{h}'_2 be bases for homologies of S^2 so that $(\mathbf{h}'_0, \mathbf{h}'_2)_{0,2} = 1$.

N is an oriented closed connected 2(m + 1)-manifold with m + 1 even and $\chi(N) \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$. By Theorem 3.2, we get

(3.18)
$$|\mathsf{T}(N, \{\mathbf{h}_{p}^{N}\}_{0}^{2m+2})|$$

= $\prod_{p=0}^{m} |\det H_{p,2m+2-p}(N)|^{(-1)^{p}} \sqrt{|\det H_{m+1,m+1}(N)|}.$

For p = 2m + 1, 2m + 2, $C_p(N) = C_{p-2}(M) \otimes C_2(S^2)$, for p = 2, ..., 2m, $C_p(N) = C_{p-2}(M) \otimes C_2(S^2) \oplus C_p(M) \otimes C_0(S^2)$, and for $p = 0, 1, C_p(N) = C_p(M) \otimes C_0(S^2)$.

We obtain a chain complex like (3.6). From the compatibility of the bases of the chain complexes, the fact $C_p(M) \otimes C_0(S^2) \cong C_p(M), C_p(M) \otimes C_2(S^2) \cong C_p(M)$, and Lemma 1.4 it follows that $T(C_*(N)) = (T(C_*(M))^2$.

Using (3.8)-(3.10), (3.18) becomes

(3.19)
$$|\mathsf{T}(N, \{\mathbf{h}_{p}^{N}\}_{0}^{2m+2})| = \prod_{p=0}^{m-1} |\det H_{p,2m-p}(M)^{(-1)^{p}}|^{2} |\det H_{m,m}(M)|^{(-1)^{m}}$$

By (3.19) and the fact that $T(C_*(N)) = (T(C_*(M))^2)$, we conclude the proof of Theorem 3.4.

Theorem 3.1, Theorem 3.3, and Theorem 3.4 terminate the proof of Theorem 0.1.

In the following section, we discuss the Reidemeister torsion of oriented closed connected odd dimensional manifolds.

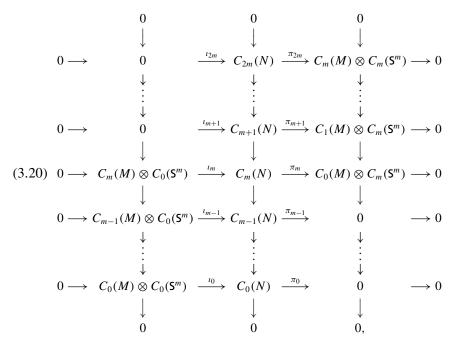
3.5. The torsion of oriented closed connected odd dimensional manifold

THEOREM 3.5. Let *M* be an oriented closed connected *m*-manifold with *m* odd. Let \mathbf{h}_p be a basis for $H_p(M)$, p = 0, ..., m. Then, $|\mathsf{T}(M, {\mathbf{h}_p}_0^m)| = 1$.

PROOF. Consider $N = M \times S^m$, where S^m is the unit *m*-sphere. *N* is an oriented closed connected 2*m*-manifold with *m* odd. Clearly $\chi(N) = 0$. Consider also the usual CW structure of S^m with two cells, say, \mathbf{c}'_0 , \mathbf{c}'_m . Let \mathbf{h}'_0 and \mathbf{h}'_m be bases for homologies of S^m so that $(\mathbf{h}'_0, \mathbf{h}'_m)_{0,m} = 1$.

Then, we get $C_m(N) = C_m(M) \otimes C_0(S^m) \oplus C_0(M) \otimes C_m(S^m)$, for $p = 0, \ldots, m-1$, $C_p(N) = C_p(M) \otimes C_0(S^m)$, and for $p = m+1, \ldots, 2m$, $C_p(N) = C_{p-m}(M) \otimes C_m(S^m)$.

We also have



where ι_p is the inclusion, π_p is the projection $p = 0, \ldots, 2m$.

Clearly, the bases of the chain complexes in (3.20) are compatible. Note also that $C_p(M) \otimes C_m(S^m) \cong C_p(M)$ and $C_p(M) \otimes C_0(S^m) \cong C_p(M)$. From Lemma 1.4 it follows that $T(C_*(N)) = (T(C_*(M))^2$.

By the Künneth formula, $\mathbf{h}_p^N = \mathbf{h}_p \otimes \mathbf{h}_0'$, $\mathbf{h}_{2m-p}^N = \mathbf{h}_{m-p} \otimes \mathbf{h}_m'$, and $\mathbf{h}_m^N = \mathbf{h}_m \otimes \mathbf{h}_0' \oplus \mathbf{h}_0 \otimes \mathbf{h}_m'$ are bases of $H_p(N)$, $H_{2m-p}(N)$, $p = 0, \dots, m$, respectively.

It follows from Theorem 3.1 that

(3.21)
$$\mathsf{T}(N, \{\mathbf{h}_{p}^{N}\}_{0}^{2m}) = \prod_{p=0}^{m-1} \left|\det H_{p,2m-p}(N)\right|^{(-1)^{p}} \sqrt{\det H_{m,m}(N)}^{(-1)^{m}}.$$

Note that

$$(3.22) \qquad \left|\det H_{0,2m}(N)\right| = \left|\det H_{0,m}(M)\right|$$

For p = 1, ..., m - 1,

(3.23)
$$\left|\det H_{p,2m-p}(N)\right| = \left|\det H_{m-p,m+p}(N)\right| = \left|\det H_{p,m-p}(M)\right|.$$

Note also that since

$$H_{m,m}(N) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & (h_m, h_0)_{m,0} \\ -(h_0, h_m)_{0,m} & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

we have

(3.24)
$$\det H_{m,m}(N) = \det H_{0,m}(M)^2.$$

Combining (3.21)–(3.24), and the fact that $T(C_*(N)) = (T(C_*(M))^2)$, we get $T(M, \{\mathbf{h}_p^M\}_0^m)^2 = 1$. This proves Theorem 3.5.

4. Application

In this section, we apply Theorem 0.1 to Riemann surfaces and Grassmannians.

4.1. Compact Riemann surfaces

Let Σ_g be a compact oriented Riemann surface of genus $g \ge 1$ without boundary. Let $\Gamma = {\Gamma_1, \ldots, \Gamma_g, \Gamma_{1+g}, \ldots, \Gamma_{2g}}$ be a canonical basis for $H_1(\Sigma_g)$, i.e., Γ_i intersects Γ_{i+g} once positively and does not intersect others. Then, we have

THEOREM 4.1. Let \mathbf{h}_0 , $\mathbf{h}_1 = \{\Omega_i\}_1^{2g}$, and \mathbf{h}_2 be bases of $H_0(\Sigma_g)$, $H_1(\Sigma_g)$, and $H_2(\Sigma_g)$, respectively. Then,

$$\left|\mathsf{T}(\Sigma_g, \{\mathbf{h}_p\}_0^2)\right| = \left|\frac{\det H_{0,2}(\Sigma_g)}{\det \wp(\mathfrak{h}^1, \Gamma)}\right|,$$

where $\mathbf{h}^1 = \{\omega_i\}_1^{2g}$ is the Poincaré dual basis of $H^1(\Sigma_g)$ corresponding to the basis \mathbf{h}_1 of $H_1(\Sigma_g)$, where $\wp(\mathbf{h}^1, \Gamma) = \left[\int_{\Gamma_i} \omega_j\right]$ is the period matrix of \mathbf{h}^1 with respect to the canonical basis $\Gamma = \{\Gamma_i\}_{i=1}^{2g}$ of $H_1(\Sigma_g)$.

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PROOF. From Theorem 0.1 it follows that $|\mathsf{T}(\Sigma_g, \{\mathbf{h}_p\}_0^2)| = \frac{|\det H_{0,2}(\Sigma_g)|}{\sqrt{\det H_{1,1}(\Sigma_g)}}$. For $\mathbf{h}_1 = \{\Omega_j\}_{j=1}^{2g}$, the non-degenerate skew-symmetric $2g \times 2g$ -square matrix $H_{1,1}(\Sigma_g)$ is $[\Omega_{ij}]$, where $\Omega_{ij} = (\Omega_i, \Omega_j)_{1,1}$. By Poincaré duality, we also have $\Omega_{ij} = \int_{\Sigma_g} \omega_i \wedge \omega_j$. Change-base-formula results that $\sqrt{\det(H_{1,1}(\Sigma_g))} = |\det[(\Omega_j, \Gamma_i)_{1,1}]|$. If, moreover, we let $\gamma_i \in H^1(\Sigma_g)$ denote the Poincaré dual of $\Gamma_i \in H_1(\Sigma_g)$, then we have $(\Omega_i, \Gamma_j)_{1,1} = \int_{\Sigma_g} \omega_i \wedge \gamma_j = \int_{\Gamma_i} \omega_j$.

This completes the proof of Theorem 4.1.

Before ending this section, we also would like to apply Theorem 0.1 to $M \times N$, where $M = \Sigma_g$, $N = \Sigma_{g'}$ are compact oriented Riemann surfaces of genus $g, g' \ge 1$ without boundary.

Let us start with the following well-known properties of tensor (or Kronecker) product of square matrices. Recall that if $A = [a_{ij}]$ is an $m \times m$ and $B = [b_{ij}]$ is an $n \times n$ matrix with real entries, then the tensor product of Aand B is the $mn \times mn$ block matrix $A \otimes B = [a_{ij}B]$, where $a_{ij}B$ is the $n \times n$ matrix obtained by multiplying the matrix B with the scalar a_{ij} .

Recall that if *A*, *B*, *C*, *D* are square matrices such that the products *AC* and *BD* exist, then $(A \otimes B)(C \otimes D)$ exists and $(A \otimes B)(C \otimes D) = (AC) \otimes (BD)$ (see, e.g., [21, p. 350]). Let *A* be an $n \times n$ and *B* be an $m \times m$ invertible matrix. Then, we clearly have $(A \otimes B)(A^{-1} \otimes B^{-1}) = I_{m \times m} \otimes I_{n \times n}$, where $I_{d \times d}$ is the $d \times d$ identity matrix. Note also that for the square matrices *A* and *B*, we have $(A \otimes B)^T = A^T \otimes B^T$, where A^T is the transpose of *A*. Finally, it is known that det $(A \otimes B) = det(A)^n det(B)^m$; however, for the sake of completeness, we provide a proof for our case. More precisely,

LEMMA 4.2. Let $A = [a_{ij}]$ be $2g \times 2g$ and $B = [b_{ij}]$ be a $2g' \times 2g'$ symmetric or skew-symmetric matrices with real entries. Then, det $(A \otimes B) =$ det $(A)^{2g'}$ det $(B)^{2g}$.

PROOF. By the spectral theorem of normal matrices, symmetric and skewsymmetric matrices are orthogonally diagonalizable. Thus, there exist orthogonal $2g \times 2g$ real matrix P and $2g' \times 2g'$ real matrix Q so that $PAP^{-1} = D_1 = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_{2g})$, $QBQ^{-1} = D_2 = \text{diag}(\mu_1 \ldots, \mu_{2g'})$, respectively, where $\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_{2g}$ and $\mu_1, \ldots, \mu_{2g'}$ are real. Then, we have $A \otimes B = (PD_1P^{-1}) \otimes (QD_2Q^{-1}) = (P \otimes Q)(D_1 \otimes D_2)(P \otimes Q)^{-1}$.

Hence, $\det(A \otimes B) = \det(D_1 \otimes D_2) = \det(D_1)^{2g'} \det(D_2)^{2g} = \det(A)^{2g'} \det(B)^{2g}$.

This is the end of the proof of Lemma 4.2.

COROLLARY 4.3. Let $M = \Sigma_g$ and $N = \Sigma_{g'}$ be closed oriented Riemann surfaces of genus $g, g' \ge 1$, respectively. For p = 0, 1, 2, let \mathbf{h}_p and \mathbf{h}'_p be bases of $H_p(M)$ and $H_p(N)$, respectively. Then,

$$(4.1) \left| \mathsf{T}\left(M \times N, \left\{ \bigoplus_{i+j=p} \mathbf{h}_i \otimes \mathbf{h}_j' \right\}_{p=0}^4 \right) \right| = \left| \mathsf{T}(M, \{\mathbf{h}_p\}_0^2) \right|^{\chi(N)} \left| \mathsf{T}(N, \{\mathbf{h}_p'\}_0^2) \right|^{\chi(M)}.$$

PROOF. From the Künneth formula it follows that $\mathbf{h}_0 \otimes \mathbf{h}'_0$, $\mathbf{h}_1 \otimes \mathbf{h}'_0 \oplus \mathbf{h}_0 \otimes \mathbf{h}'_1$, $\mathbf{h}_0 \otimes \mathbf{h}'_2 \oplus \mathbf{h}_1 \otimes \mathbf{h}'_1 \oplus \mathbf{h}_2 \otimes \mathbf{h}'_0$, $\mathbf{h}_1 \otimes \mathbf{h}'_2 \oplus \mathbf{h}_2 \otimes \mathbf{h}'_1$, and $\mathbf{h}_2 \otimes \mathbf{h}'_2$ are bases of $H_0(M \times N)$, $H_1(M \times N)$, $H_2(M \times N)$, $H_3(M \times N)$, and $H_4(M \times N)$, respectively.

Using Theorem 0.1, we obtain

(4.2)
$$\left| \mathsf{T} \left(M \times N, \left\{ \bigoplus_{i+j=p} \mathbf{h}_i \otimes \mathbf{h}'_j \right\}_{p=0}^4 \right) \right|$$

= $\left| \det H_{0,4}(M \times N) \right| \left| \det H_{1,3}(M \times N) \right|^{-1} \sqrt{\left| \det H_{2,2}(M \times N) \right|}.$

It follows from Lemma 4.2 that

(4.3)
$$\left|\det H_{0,4}(M \times N)\right| = \left|\det H_{0,2}(M)\right| \left|\det H_{0,2}(N)\right|$$

(4.4)
$$\left|\det H_{1,3}(M \times N)\right| = \left|\det H_{0,2}(M)\right|^{\dim H_1(N)} \left|\det H_{1,1}(M)\right| \times \left|\det H_{0,2}(N)\right|^{\dim H_1(M)} \left|\det H_{1,1}(N)\right|$$

(4.5)
$$\left|\det H_{2,2}(M \times N)\right|$$

= $\left|\det H_{0,2}(M)\right|^2 \left|\det H_{0,2}(N)\right|^2 \left|\det H_{1\otimes 1}(M \times N)\right|,$

where $H_{1\otimes 1}(M \times N) = [(\cdot, \cdot) \text{ in } \mathbf{h}_1 \otimes \mathbf{h}'_1].$ By Lemma 4.2, we get

(4.6) det $H_{1\otimes 1}(M \times N) = (\det H_{1,1}(M))^{\dim H_1(N)} (\det H_{1,1}(N))^{\dim H_1(M)}.$

From (4.3)–(4.6) it follows that (4.2) is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \mathsf{T} \left(M \times N, \left\{ \bigoplus_{i+j=p} \mathbf{h}_i \otimes \mathbf{h}'_j \right\}_{p=0}^4 \right) \right| \\ &= \left| \det H_{0,2}(M) \right|^{\chi(N)} \left| \det H_{1,1}(M) \right|^{-\chi(N)/2} \\ &\times \left| \det H_{0,2}(N) \right|^{\chi(M)} \left| \det H_{1,1}(N) \right|^{-\chi(M)/2} \\ &= \left| \mathsf{T}(M, \{\mathbf{h}_p\}_{p=0}^2) \right|^{\chi(N)} \left| \mathsf{T}(N, \{\mathbf{h}'_p\}_{p=0}^2) \right|^{\chi(M)} \end{aligned}$$

This concludes the proof of Corollary 4.3.

Next, let us compute the Reidemeister torsion of the cartesian product $\times_{i=1}^{n} \Sigma_{g_i}$ of closed Riemann surfaces $\Sigma_{g_1}, \ldots, \Sigma_{g_n}$ of genus $g_1, \ldots, g_n \ge 1$, respectively. To do that, we shall first prove that formula (4.1) is valid for $M \times N$, where M is an oriented closed connected 2n-manifold with $n \ge 1$ and $N = \Sigma_{g'}$ is a closed oriented Riemann surfaces of genus $g' \ge 1$. Namely,

COROLLARY 4.4. Let *M* be an oriented closed connected 2*n*-manifold with $n \ge 1$ and $N = \sum_{g'}$ be a closed oriented Riemann surface of genus $g' \ge 1$. For i = 0, ..., 2n, let \mathbf{h}_i be a basis of $H_i(M)$. Let \mathbf{h}'_j be a basis of $H_j(N)$, j = 0, 1, 2. Then,

(4.7)
$$\left| \mathsf{T} \left(M \times N, \left\{ \bigoplus_{i+j=p} \mathbf{h}_i \otimes \mathbf{h}'_j \right\}_{p=0}^{2n+2} \right) \right|$$
$$= \left| \mathsf{T} (M, \{\mathbf{h}_p\}_0^{2n}) \right|^{\chi(N)} \left| \mathsf{T} (N, \{\mathbf{h}'_p\}_0^2) \right|^{\chi(M)}.$$

PROOF. Using the Künneth formula, we get $\mathbf{h}_0 \otimes \mathbf{h}'_0$, $\mathbf{h}_{2n} \otimes \mathbf{h}'_2$, $\mathbf{h}_1 \otimes \mathbf{h}'_0 \oplus$ $\mathbf{h}_0 \otimes \mathbf{h}'_1$, $\mathbf{h}_{2n-1} \otimes \mathbf{h}'_2 \oplus \mathbf{h}_{2n} \otimes \mathbf{h}'_1$, and for p = 2, ..., n + 1, $\mathbf{h}_p \otimes \mathbf{h}'_0 \oplus$ $\mathbf{h}_{p-1} \otimes \mathbf{h}'_1 \oplus \mathbf{h}_{p-2} \otimes \mathbf{h}'_2$, $\mathbf{h}_{2n-p} \otimes \mathbf{h}'_2 \oplus \mathbf{h}_{2n-p+1} \otimes \mathbf{h}'_1 \oplus \mathbf{h}_{2n-p+2} \otimes \mathbf{h}'_0$ are bases of $H_0(M \times N)$, $H_{2n+2}(M \times N)$, $H_1(M \times N)$, $H_{2n+1}(M \times N)$, and for p = 2, ..., n + 1, $H_p(M \times N)$, $H_{2n+2-p}(M \times N)$, respectively.

It follows from Theorem 0.1 that

(4.8)
$$\left| \mathsf{T}\left(M \times N, \left\{ \bigoplus_{i+j=p} \mathbf{h}_i \otimes \mathbf{h}'_j \right\}_{p=0}^{2n+2} \right) \right|$$
$$= \prod_{p=0}^n \left| \det H_{p,2n+2-p}(M \times N) \right|^{(-1)^p} \sqrt{\left| \det H_{p,2n+2-p}(M \times N) \right|}^{(-1)^{n+1}}$$

Using Lemma 4.2, we get

(4.9)
$$\left|\det H_{0,2n+2}(M \times N)\right|$$

= $\left|\det H_{0,2n}(M)\right|^{\dim H_0(N)} \left|\det H_{0,2}(N)\right|^{\dim H_0(M)}$,

(4.10)
$$\left|\det H_{1,2n+1}(M \times N)\right|$$

= $\left|\det H_{1,2n-1}(M)\right|^{\dim H_0(N)} \left|\det H_{0,2}(N)\right|^{\dim H_1(M)}$
 $\times \left|\det H_{0,2n}(M)\right|^{\dim H_1(N)} \left|\det H_{1,1}(N)\right|^{\dim H_0(M)}$

for
$$p = 2, ..., n$$
,
(4.11) $|\det H_{p,2n+2-p}(M \times N)| = |\det H_{p,2n-p}(M)|^{\dim H_0(N)}$
 $\times |\det H_{p-1,2n-p+1}(M)|^{\dim H_1(N)} |\det H_{p-2,2n-p+2}(M)|^{\dim H_0(N)}$
 $\times |\det H_{0,2}(N)|^{\dim H_p(M) + \dim H_{p-2}(M)} |\det H_{1,1}(N)|^{\dim H_{p-1}(M)},$

(4.12)
$$\sqrt{\left|\det H_{n+1,n+1}(M \times N)\right|} = \left|\det H_{n-1,n+1}(M)\right|^{\dim H_0(N)}$$

 $\times \left|\det H_{0,2}(N)\right|^{\dim H_{n-1}(M)} \left|\det H_{n,n}(M)\right|^{\dim H_1(N)/2}$
 $\times \left|\det H_{1,1}(N)\right|^{\dim H_n(M)/2}$

Using (4.9)–(4.12), (4.8) is equal to

$$(4.13) \prod_{p=2}^{n} \left\{ \left| \det H_{p,2n-p}(M) \right|^{\dim H_{0}(N)} \left| \det H_{p-1,2n-p+1}(M) \right|^{\dim H_{1}(N)} \\ \times \left| \det H_{p-2,2n-p+2}(M) \right|^{\dim H_{0}(N)} \right\}^{(-1)^{p}} \prod_{p=2}^{n} \left\{ \left| \det H_{0,2}(N) \right|^{\dim H_{p}(M)} \\ \times \left| \det H_{1,1}(N) \right|^{\dim H_{p-1}(M)} \left| \det H_{0,2}(N) \right|^{\dim H_{p-2}(M)} \right\}^{(-1)^{p}} \\ \times \left| \det H_{0,2n}(M) \right|^{\dim H_{0}(N)} \left| \det H_{0,2}(N) \right|^{\dim H_{0}(M)} \\ \times \left| \det H_{0,2n}(M) \right|^{-\dim H_{1}(N)} \left| \det H_{1,1}(N) \right|^{-\dim H_{0}(M)} \\ \times \left| \det H_{1,2n-1}(M) \right|^{-\dim H_{0}(N)} \left| \det H_{0,2}(N) \right|^{\dim H_{n-1}(M)} \\ \times \left\{ \left| \det H_{n-1,n+1}(M) \right|^{\dim H_{0}(N)} \left| \det H_{0,2}(N) \right|^{\dim H_{n-1}(M)} \\ \times \left| \det H_{n,n}(M) \right|^{\dim H_{1}(N)/2} \left| \det H_{1,1}(N) \right|^{\dim H_{n}(M)/2} \right\}^{(-1)^{n+1}}.$$

An easy computation gives us

(4.14)
$$\prod_{p=2}^{n} \left\{ \left| \det H_{p,2n-p}(M) \right| \left| \det H_{p-1,2n-p+1}(M) \right|^{\dim H_{1}(N)} \times \left| \det H_{p-2,2n-p+2}(M) \right| \right\}^{(-1)^{p}} \left| \det H_{0,2n}(M) \right|^{\dim H_{0}(N) - \dim H_{1}(N)} \times \left| \det H_{1,2n-1}(M) \right|^{-\dim H_{0}(N)} \left| \det H_{n-1,n+1}(M) \right|^{(-1)^{n+1} \dim H_{0}(N)}$$

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$$\times \left| \det H_{n,n}(M) \right|^{(-1)^{n+1} \dim H_1(N)/2}$$

$$= \left(\prod_{p=0}^{n-1} \left| \det H_{p,2n-p}(M) \right|^{(-1)^p} \right)^{\chi(N)} \left(\left| \det H_{n,n}(M) \right|^{((-1)^{n+1})/2} \right)^{\chi(N)}$$

$$= \left| \mathsf{T}(M, \{\mathbf{h}_p\}_{p=0}^{2n}) \right|^{\chi(N)}.$$

Clearly, we have (4, 15)

$$\prod_{p=2}^{n} \left\{ \left| \det H_{0,2}(N) \right|^{\dim H_{p}(M) + \dim H_{p-2}(M)} \left| \det H_{1,1}(N) \right|^{\dim H_{p-1}(M)} \right\}^{(-1)^{p}} \\ \times \left| \det H_{0,2}(N) \right|^{\dim H_{0}(M) - \dim H_{1}(M)} \left| \det H_{1,1}(N) \right|^{-\dim H_{0}(M)} \\ \times \left| \det H_{0,2}(N) \right|^{(-1)^{n+1} \dim H_{n+1}(M)/2} \left| \det H_{0,2}(N) \right|^{(-1)^{n+1} \dim H_{n-1}(M)/2} \\ \times \left| \det H_{1,1}(N) \right|^{(-1)^{n+1} \dim H_{n}(M)/2} \\ = \left| \det H_{0,2}(N) \right|^{\chi(M)} \left| \det H_{1,1}(N) \right|^{-\chi(M)/2} = \left| \mathsf{T}(N, \{\mathbf{h}_{p}^{\prime}\}_{p=0}^{2}) \right|^{\chi(M)}$$

Combining (4.14) and (4.15), we obtain (4.7).

This finishes the proof of Corollary 4.4.

In particular, considering the cartesian product of closed oriented Riemann surfaces of genus ≥ 1 and applying Corollary 4.4, we have

COROLLARY 4.5. Let $\Sigma_{g_1}, \ldots, \Sigma_{g_n}$ be closed oriented Riemann surfaces of genus $g_1, \ldots, g_n \ge 1$, respectively. For p = 0, 1, 2, and $i = 1, \ldots, n$, let $\mathbf{h}_{p,i}$ be a basis of $H_p(\Sigma_{g_i})$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \mathsf{T} \left(\times_{i=1}^{n} \Sigma_{g_{i}}, \left\{ \bigoplus_{|\alpha|=p} \mathbf{h}_{\alpha_{1},1} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{h}_{\alpha_{n},n} \right\}_{p=0}^{2n} \right) \right| \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^{n} \left| \mathsf{T} (\Sigma_{g_{i}}, \{\mathbf{h}_{p,i}\}_{p=0}^{2}) \right|^{\chi(\Sigma_{g_{1}}) \dots \chi(\widehat{\Sigma}_{g_{i}}) \dots \chi(\Sigma_{g_{n}})}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\times_{i=1}^{n} \Sigma_{g_i}$ is the cartesian product of $\Sigma_{g_1}, \ldots, \Sigma_{g_n}$, where $|\alpha| = \alpha_1 + \cdots + \alpha_n$ is the length of the multi-index $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n)$, and where in the product $\chi(\Sigma_{g_1}) \ldots \chi(\widehat{\Sigma_{g_i}}) \ldots \chi(\Sigma_{g_n})$ is deletion of $\chi(\Sigma_{g_i})$.

4.2. Grassmannians and Schubert varieties

We provide the basic definitions and necessary facts about the Grassmannians, Lagrangian Grassmannians, Orthogonal Grassmannians, and Isotropic Grassmannians. For unexplained subject and further information, we refer the reader to [3], [4], [9], [10], [25]–[14], and the references therein.

Since the results corresponding to these manifolds are similar, we shall state for only one of them.

4.2.1. The Grassmannian G(d, N). Let E be C^N and let G(d, E) = G(d, N)denote the Grassmannian of d-dimensional linear subspaces of E. This is a smooth algebraic variety of complex dimension dn, where n = N - d. It is well known that the Schubert cells stratify G(d, N). The closures of these cells are called the Schubert varieties. More precisely, let $F_{\bullet}: 0 = F_0 \subset F_1 \subset \cdots \subset$ $F_N = E$ be a complete flag of subspaces of E with dim $F_i = i, i = 0, \dots, N$. Let $\lambda = (\lambda_1 \ge \lambda_2 \ge \cdots \ge \lambda_d \ge 0)$ be a decreasing sequence of non-negative integers with $\lambda_1 \le n$. Then, the Young diagram of the partition λ fits inside a $d \times n$ rectangle and this is denoted as $\lambda \subset (n^d)$.

The Schubert variety $X_{\lambda}(F_{\bullet})$ associated to the complete flag F_{\bullet} and the partition λ is defined by

$$X_{\lambda}(F_{\bullet}) = \{\Lambda \in G(d, N) : \dim(\Lambda \cap F_{n+i-\lambda_i}) \ge i, i = 1, \dots, d\}.$$

This is a codimension $|\lambda|$ closed subvariety of G(d, N), where $|\lambda| = \sum \lambda_i$ is the weight of λ . By Poincaré duality, $X_{\lambda}(F_{\bullet})$ is associated to the Schubert class $\sigma_{\lambda} = [X_{\lambda}(F_{\bullet})] \in H^{2|\lambda|}(G(d, N); \mathsf{Z})$. From the transitive action of $GL_N(\mathsf{C})$ on G(d, N) and on the flags in *E* it follows that σ_{λ} is independent of the flag F_{\bullet} used to define X_{λ} .

As an additive group $H^*(G(d, N); Z) = \bigoplus_{\lambda \subset (n^d)} Z \cdot \sigma_{\lambda}$ is a free abelian group generated by the Schubert classes. Odd dimensional cohomologies are all zero and the Euler characteristic $\chi(G(d, N)) = {N \choose d}$. Recall also that by the Schubert Duality theorem for any λ and μ with $|\lambda| + |\mu| = dn$, we have $\int_{G(d,N)} \sigma_{\lambda} \sigma_{\mu} = \delta_{\hat{\lambda},\mu}$, where $\hat{\lambda} = (\lambda_{N-d-\lambda_d}, \dots, \lambda_{N-d-\lambda_1})$ is the dual partition of λ .

From Theorem 0.1 it follows that

THEOREM 4.6. Let M = G(d, N) denote the Grassmannian of d-dimensional linear subspaces of C^N . For p = 0, ..., 2m, let \mathbf{h}_p be a basis of $H_p(M)$, where m = d(N - d). Then, the following formulas hold:

- (i) $|\mathsf{T}(M, \{\mathbf{h}_p\}_0^{2m})| = \prod_{p \in E_{m-1}} |\det H_{p,2m-p}(M)|$ for *m* odd,
- (ii) $|\mathsf{T}(M, \{\mathbf{h}_p\}_0^{2m})| = \prod_{p \in E_{m-1}} |\det H_{p,2m-p}(M)| \sqrt{|\det H_{m,m}(M)|}$ for m even,

where E_{m-1} is the set of even numbers in $\{0, \ldots, m-1\}$.

In particular, let us consider the complex projective space CP^m . For p even $H^p(CP^m)$ is generated by ω_{FS}^p , where ω_{FS} is the Fubini-Study metric of CP^m

and ω_{FS}^p denotes the *p* times wedge product of ω_{FS} . Using also the Poincaré Duality, we have

COROLLARY 4.7. If for p = 0, ..., 2m, \mathbf{h}^p is a basis of $H^p(\mathbb{CP}^m)$, then

- (i) $|\mathsf{T}(\mathsf{CP}^m, \{\mathbf{h}_p\}_0^{2m})| = V_m \prod_{p \in E_m} |\lambda_p| |\lambda_{2m-p}|$ for m odd,
- (ii) $|\mathsf{T}(\mathsf{CP}^m, \{\mathbf{h}_p\}_0^{2m})| = V_m \prod_{p \in E_{m-1}} |\lambda_p| |\lambda_{2m-p}| |\lambda_m|$ for m even,

where $\mathbf{h}_p \in H_p(\mathsf{CP}^m)$ is the Poincaré dual of $\mathbf{h}^p \in H^p(\mathsf{CP}^m)$ and $\mathbf{h}^p = \lambda_p \omega_{\mathsf{FS}}^p$ for some $\lambda_p \in \mathsf{R}$, where ω_{FS} is the Fubuni-Study form of CP^m , where E_{m-1} is the set of even numbers in $\{0, \ldots, m-1\}$, and where $V_m = \left(\frac{1}{m!} \operatorname{Vol}(\mathsf{CP}^m)\right)^{\chi(\mathsf{CP}^m)/2}$.

We would like to conclude this section with the following example.

EXAMPLE 4.8. Let $M = \mathbb{CP}^3$ and $N = \mathbb{CP}^6$. Using the Künneth formula, we get $H_0(M \times N) = H_0(M) \otimes H_0(N)$, $H_{18}(M \times N) = H_6(M) \otimes H_{12}(N)$, $H_2(M \times N) = H_0(M) \otimes H_2(N) \oplus H_2(M) \otimes H_0(N)$, $H_{16}(M \times N) = H_6(M) \otimes H_{10}(N) \oplus H_4(M) \otimes H_{12}(N)$, $H_4(M \times N) = H_0(M) \otimes H_4(N) \oplus H_2(M) \otimes H_2(N) \oplus H_4(M) \otimes H_0(N)$, $H_{14}(M \times N) = H_6(M) \otimes H_8(N) \oplus H_4(M) \otimes H_{10}(N) \oplus H_2(M) \otimes H_{12}(N)$, $H_6(M \times N) = H_0(M) \otimes H_6(N) \oplus H_2(M) \otimes H_4(N) \oplus H_4(M) \otimes H_2(N) \oplus H_6(M) \otimes H_0(N)$, $H_{12}(M \times N) = H_6(M) \otimes H_6(N) \oplus H_2(M) \otimes H_4(N) \oplus H_4(M) \otimes H_8(N) \oplus H_2(M) \otimes H_{10}(N)$, $H_{12}(M \times N) = H_6(M) \otimes H_6(N) \otimes H_{12}(N)$, $H_8(M \times N) = H_0(M) \otimes H_8(N) \oplus H_2(M) \otimes H_6(N) \oplus H_4(M) \otimes H_4(N) \oplus H_6(M) \otimes H_6(N) \oplus H_4(M) \otimes H_8(N) \oplus H_2(M) \otimes H_6(N) \oplus H_4(M) \otimes H_6(N) \oplus H_2(M) \otimes H_8(N) \oplus H_2(M) \otimes H_6(N) \oplus H_4(M) \otimes H_6(N) \oplus H_2(M) \otimes H_8(N) \oplus H_2(M) \otimes H_4(N) \oplus H_4(M) \otimes H_6(N) \oplus H_2(M) \otimes H_8(N) \oplus H_2(M) \otimes H_4(N) \oplus H_4(M) \otimes H_6(N) \oplus H_2(M) \otimes H_8(N) \oplus H_2(M)$.

From these it follows that

$$(4.16) |H_{0,18}(M \times N)| = |H_{0,6}(M)||H_{0,12}(N)|,$$

 $(4.17) |H_{2,16}(M \times N)| = |H_{0,6}(M)||H_{2,4}(M)||H_{0,12}(N)||H_{2,10}(N)|,$

(4.18)
$$|H_{4,14}(M \times N)|$$

= $|H_{0,6}(M)||H_{2,4}(M)|^2|H_{0,12}(N)||H_{2,10}(N)||H_{4,8}(N)|,$

(4.19)
$$|H_{6,12}(M \times N)|$$

= $|H_{0,6}(M)|^2 |H_{2,4}(M)|^2 |H_{0,12}(N)| |H_{2,10}(N)| |H_{4,8}(N)| |H_{6,6}(N)|,$

(4.20)
$$|H_{8,10}(M \times N)|$$

= $|H_{0,6}(M)|^2 |H_{2,4}(M)|^2 |H_{2,10}(N)| |H_{4,8}(N)|^2 |H_{6,6}(N)|.$

Combining (4.16)–(4.20), we obtain that $|T(M \times N)| = |T(M)|^{\chi(N)} |T(N)|^{\chi(M)}$.

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4.2.2. The Lagrangian Grassmannian LG(n, 2n). Let E be C^{2n} equipped with a symplectic form $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$. A subspace V of E is *isotropic* if the restriction of the symplectic form $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ to V vanishes. Note that the maximal possible dimension of an isotropic subspace is n, and in this case V is called a *Lagrangian* subspace of E. The Lagrangian Grassmannian LG(n, 2n) is a complex manifold of complex dimension n(n + 1)/2 parametrizing the Lagrangian subspaces in E.

A complete isotropic flag F_{\bullet} : $0 = F_0 \subset F_1 \subset \cdots \subset F_n \subset E$ of subspaces of *E* is a flag of isotropic subspaces of *E* such that dim $F_i = i$ for each *i*. Thus, a complete isotropic flag is a Lagrangian subspace F_n of *E* together with a complete flag of subspaces of F_n . In fact, any isotropic flag $F_{\bullet}: 0 = F_0 \subset F_1 \subset \cdots \subset F_n \subset E$ can be completed to a complete flag by setting $F_{n+i} = F_{n-i}^{\perp}$, i = 1, ..., n.

Let F_{\bullet} be a complete isotropic flag of E and $\lambda = (\lambda_1 > \lambda_2 > \cdots > \lambda_{\ell} > 0)$ with $\lambda_1 \leq n$ be a strictly decreasing partition. The codimension $|\lambda| = \sum \lambda_i$ Schubert variety $X_{\lambda}(F_{\bullet}) \subset LG(n, 2n)$ is defined by

 $X_{\lambda}(F_{\bullet}) = \{\Lambda \in LG(n, 2n) : \dim(\Lambda \cap F_{n+1-\lambda_i}) \ge i, i = 1, \dots, \ell(\lambda)\},\$

where $\ell(\lambda)$ is the length of λ , i.e., the number of non-zero terms in λ .

Let $\sigma_{\lambda} = [X_{\lambda}(F_{\bullet})] \in H^{2|\lambda|}(LG(n, 2n); \mathbb{Z})$ be the cohomology class of $X_{\lambda}(F_{\bullet})$. $H^*(LG(n, 2n); \mathbb{Z})$ is a free abelian group generated by the Schubert classes σ_{λ} with strictly decreasing partition λ . Recall the Poincaré duality $\int_{LG(n,2n)} \sigma_{\lambda} \sigma_{\mu} = \delta_{\lambda,\mu}$, where $\lambda = \rho_n - \lambda$ is the dual partition of λ , and where $\rho_n = (n, n - 1, ..., 1)$. Recall also that the Euler characteristic of LG(n, 2n) is 2^n .

Moreover, for LG(n, 2n), we have a result similar to Theorem 4.6, where m = n(n + 1)/2.

4.2.3. The Orthogonal Grassmannian OG(n + 1, 2n + 2). Let *E* be C^{2n+2} equipped with a non-degenerate symmetric form. The even orthogonal Grassmannian OG(n + 1, 2n + 2) parametrizes one component of the locus of maximal isotropic subspaces of *E*. This is a complex manifold of complex dimension n(n + 1)/2. There are two families of such subspaces. As convention, given a fixed isotropic flag F_{\bullet} in *E*, only those isotropic Λ in *E* with $\Lambda \cap F_{n+1}$ even codimension in F_{n+1} are considered. Recall that OG(n + 1, 2n + 2) is isomorphic to the odd Orthogonal Grassmannian OG(n, 2n + 1).

As in LG(n, 2n), the Schubert varieties $X_{\lambda}(F_{\bullet})$ in OG(n+1, 2n+2) are also parametrized by strictly decreasing partitions $\lambda = (\lambda_1 > \lambda_2 > \cdots > \lambda_{\ell} > 0)$ with $\lambda_1 \le n$ and defined by

$$X_{\lambda}(F_{\bullet}) = \{\Lambda \in OG(n+1, 2n+2) : \dim(\Lambda \cap F_{n+1-\lambda_i}) \ge i, i = 1, \dots, \ell(\lambda)\}$$

with respect to a complete isotropic flag F_{\bullet} in *E*. Let σ_{λ} be the cohomology class of $X_{\lambda}(F_{\bullet})$. The abelian group $H^*(OG(n + 1, 2n + 2); Z)$ is generated by the Schubert classes σ_{λ} with strictly decreasing partition λ . Moreover, $\chi(OG(n + 1, 2n + 2)) = 2^n$.

Similar result of Theorem 4.6 also holds for OG(n + 1, 2n + 2), where m = n(n + 1)/2.

4.2.4. The Grassmannian IG(n-k, 2n). Let us fix a vector space $E \cong C^{2n}$ with a non-degenerate skew-symmetric bilinear form $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$, and let $d \leq n$ be a fixed non-negative integer. The Isotropic Grassmannian IG(d, 2n) parametrizes *d*-dimensional isotropic subspaces of *E*. This is an algebraic variety of complex dimension 2d(n-d) + d(d+1)/2.

Let *k* be a non-negative integer. The partition λ is said to be *k*-strict, if no part of λ greater than *k* is repeated, namely $\lambda_i > k \Rightarrow \lambda_{i+1} < \lambda_i$.

Now, let k = n - d. The Schubert varieties in IG(d, 2n) are parametrized by the set $\mathcal{P}(k, n)$ of all k-strict partitions contained in a $d \times (n+k)$ rectangle.

Recall that an isotropic flag in *E* is a complete flag $F_{\bullet}: 0 = F_0 \subset F_1 \subset \cdots \subset F_{2n} = E$ of subspaces such that $F_{n+i} = F_{n-i}^{\perp}$, $i = 0, \dots, n$. For each $\lambda \in \mathcal{P}(k, n)$, the Schubert variety relative to the isotropic flag F_{\bullet} is

$$X_{\lambda}(F_{\bullet}) = \{ \Lambda \in IG(d, 2n) : \dim(\Lambda \cap F_{p_{i}(\lambda)}) \ge j, \ j = 1, \dots, \ell(\lambda) \},\$$

where $p_j(\lambda) = n + k + 1 - \lambda_j + \sharp\{i < j : \lambda_i + \lambda_j \le 2k + j - i\}$, and where $\ell(\lambda)$ is the length of λ .

This is a codimension $|\lambda|$ variety. Let σ_{λ} denote $[X_{\lambda}] \in H^{2|\lambda|}(IG(d, 2n); Z)$. The cohomology ring $H^*(IG(d, 2n); Z)$ is a free abelian group generated by these Schubert classes. Moreover, the *k*-strict partition λ has a unique dual partition $\tilde{\lambda} \in \mathcal{P}(k, n)$, for which $p_j(\tilde{\lambda}) = 2n + 1 - p_{d+1-j}(\lambda)$, j = 1, ..., d. We also have $\int_{IG(d,2n)} \sigma_{\lambda} \sigma_{\mu} = \delta_{\mu,\tilde{\lambda}}$. Finally, the Euler characteristic of IG(d, 2n)is the rank of $H^*(IG(d, 2n); Z) = \sharp \mathcal{P}(k, n) = 2^d {n \choose k}$.

For IG(d, 2n), we also obtain a result similar to Theorem 4.6 where m = 2d(n-d) + d(d+1)/2.

4.2.5. The Grassmannian OG(n-k, 2n+1). Let $E \cong C^{2n+1}$ be a vector space with a non-degenerate symmetric bilinear form on *E*. For d = n - k < n, let OG(d, 2n + 1) denote the Odd Orthogonal Grassmannian parametrizing the *d*-dimensional isotropic subspaces of *E*. Like IG(d, 2n), the algebraic variety OG(n - k, 2n + 1) has also complex dimension 2d(n - d) + d(d + 1)/2. Furthermore, as in IG(d, 2n), the Schubert varieties are parametrized by the set of *k*-strict partitions $\mathcal{P}(k, n)$.

Recall that an isotropic flag F_{\bullet} is a complete flag $0 = F_0 \subset F_1 \subset \cdots \subset F_{2n+1} = E$ such that $F_{n+i} = F_{n+1-i}^{\perp}$, $i = 1, \dots, n+1$. Let F_{\bullet} be an isotropic

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flag and let $\lambda \in \mathcal{P}(k, n)$. The Schubert variety associated to F_{\bullet} and λ is

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$$X_{\lambda}(F_{\bullet}) = \{\Lambda \in OG(d, 2n+1) : \dim(\Lambda \cap F_{\overline{p}_{j}(\lambda)}) \ge j, \ j = 1, \dots, \ell(\lambda)\},\$$

where $\overline{p}_j(\lambda) = p_j(\lambda) + \mathbf{1}_{\{0,\dots,k\}}(\lambda_j)$, where $p_j(\lambda) = n + k + 1 - \lambda_j + \sharp\{i < j : \lambda_i + \lambda_j \le 2k + j - i\}$, and where

$$\mathbf{1}_{\{0,\ldots,k\}}(\lambda_j) = \begin{cases} 1, & \lambda_j \leq k \\ 0, & \lambda_j > k. \end{cases}$$

This variety has codimension $|\lambda|$. Let σ_{λ} denote the cohomology class of Poincaré dual to the cycle given by $X_{\lambda}(F_{\bullet})$. The abelian group $H^*(OG(d, 2n + 1); Z)$ is generated by these Schubert classes. We also have $\int_{OG(d, 2n+1)} \sigma_{\lambda} \sigma_{\mu} = \delta_{\mu, \check{\lambda}}$, where $\overline{p}_j(\check{\lambda}) = 2n + 2 - p_{d+1-j}(\lambda)$. The rank of $H^*(OG(d, 2n + 1); Z)$ is equal to the rank of $H^*(IG(n - k, 2n); Z)$, i.e., $\sharp \mathscr{P}(k, n) = 2^d {n \choose k}$.

Furthermore, for OG(d, 2n + 1), there is a result similar to Theorem 4.6, where m = 2d(n - d) + d(d + 1)/2.

4.2.6. The Grassmannian OG(n + 1 - k, 2n + 2). Let $E \cong C^{2n+2}$ be a vector space with a non-degenerate symmetric bilinear form on E. For d = n + 1 - k < n, let OG(d, 2n + 2) be the even Orthogonal Grassmannian parametrizing the *d*-dimensional isotropic subspaces of *E*. This is a variety of complex dimension 2d(n + 1 - d) + d(d - 1)/2.

The subspaces U, V of E are *in the same family* if $\dim(U \cap V) \equiv (n + 1) \pmod{2}$. Fix an isotropic subspace W of E with $\dim W = n+1$. An isotropic flag is a complete flag F_{\bullet} of subspaces of E such that $F_{n+1+i} = F_{n+1-i}^{\perp}$, $i = 0, \ldots, n$, and F_{n+1} and W are in the same family. Since the orthogonal space F_n^{\perp}/F_n contains only two isotropic lines, to each such flag F_{\bullet} , there is an alternate isotropic flag \tilde{F}_{\bullet} such that for $i \leq n \tilde{F}_i = F_i$ but with \tilde{F}_{n+1} in the opposite family from F_{n+1} .

Let k = n + 1 - d > 0. The *k*-strict partition λ is of *type* 0 if it has no part equal to *k*. Otherwise, λ is of *type* 1 or 2. Type is a multi-valued function. Let $\tilde{\mathcal{P}}(k, n)$ be the set of all *k*-strict partitions contained in a $d \times (n + k)$ rectangle of all three possible types. For $\lambda \in \tilde{\mathcal{P}}(k, n)$, let us define an index set $P' = \{p'_1 < \cdots < p'_d\} \subset \{1, \ldots, 2n + 2\}$ with

$$p'_{j}(\lambda) = n + k - \lambda_{j} + \sharp\{i < j : \lambda_{i} + \lambda_{j} \le 2k - 1 + j - i\} + \begin{cases} 1, & \lambda_{j} > k \text{ or } \lambda_{j} = k < \lambda_{j-1} \text{ and } n + j + type(\lambda) \text{ is even} \\ 2, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Let F_{\bullet} be an isotropic flag. For each $\lambda \in \tilde{\mathscr{P}}(k, n)$, the codimension $|\lambda|$ Schubert variety is $X_{\lambda}(F_{\bullet}) = \{\Lambda \in OG(d, 2n + 2) : \dim(\Lambda \cap F_{p'_{\lambda}(\lambda)}) \geq 0\}$

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j, if $p'_j \neq n+2$, dim $(\Lambda \cap \tilde{F}_{n+1}) \geq j$, if $p'_j = n+2$, for all $j = 1, \ldots, \ell(\lambda)$. Let σ_{λ} be the cohomology class in $H^{2|\lambda|}(OG(d, 2n + 2); Z)$ Poincaré dual to the cycle determined by the Schubert variety associated to λ . The free abelian group $H^*(OG(d, 2n+2); Z)$ is generated by the Schubert classes and the rank of $H^*(OG(d, 2n+2); \mathbb{Z})$ is $2^{n+1-k} \binom{n+1}{k}$. For each $\lambda \in \tilde{\mathcal{P}}(k, n)$, define a dual partition $\check{\lambda} \in \tilde{\mathcal{P}}(k, n)$ by

$$p'_{j}(\check{\lambda}) = \begin{cases} 2n+3-p'_{d+1-j}(\lambda), & \text{if } n \text{ is odd or } p'_{j}(\lambda) \neq n+1, n+2\\ p'_{j}(\lambda), & \text{if } n \text{ is even and } p'_{j}(\lambda) \in \{n+1, n+2\}. \end{cases}$$

Moreover, for $\lambda, \mu \in \tilde{\mathscr{P}}(k, n)$, we have $\int_{OG(d, 2n+2)} \sigma_{\lambda} \sigma_{\mu} = \delta_{\mu, \check{\lambda}}$. For OG(d, 2n+2), similar result as Theorem 4.6 holds, where m = 2d(n+1)(1-d) + d(d-1)/2.

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