

We also know that ω is unique up to an exact form.

A special case when all this has been made quite explicit is when M is complex manifold and P is the cycle carried by an analytic subvariety V of codimension 1. If V is given locally as the divisor of $f_\alpha \in \mathcal{O}(U_\alpha)$, and if we have chosen positive functions h_α in U_α with $h_\alpha/h_\beta = |f_\alpha/f_\beta|^2$ in $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ then $\omega = dd^c \log h_\alpha$ is the Chern class of the line bundle $[V]$.

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Especially noteworthy is the case when $[V]$ is positive in the sense that, with a suitable choice of the metric h_α in $[V]$, the real $(1,1)$ -form ω is positive.

We shall introduce a formalism that includes both cycles and smooth forms. This will lead to a cohomology theory to which both the ordinary singular and de Rham's theories map, and both maps will be isomorphisms.

Definitions: Residue Formulas

We may our definitions first on \mathbb{R}^n . Let $C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ be the vector space of compactly supported smooth functions on \mathbb{R}^n . If $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ are coordinates on \mathbb{R}^n , we let $D_i = \partial/\partial x_i$ and $D^\alpha = D_1^{\alpha_1} \dots D_n^{\alpha_n}$ for $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) = \alpha \in (\mathbb{Z}^+)^n$. The C^p -topology is defined on $C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ by saying that a sequence $\varphi_n \rightarrow 0$ in case there is a compact set K with all $\text{supp } \varphi_n \subset K$ and with

$$D^\alpha \varphi_n(x) \rightarrow 0$$

uniformly for $x \in K$ and all α satisfying $[\alpha] = \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_n \leq p$. The C^∞ topology is defined by saying that $\varphi_n \rightarrow 0$ in case all $\text{supp } \varphi_n \subset K$ and $\varphi_n \rightarrow 0$ in the C^p topology for each p .