

with the decomposition into type.

$\varphi$  is harmonic  $\Leftrightarrow \bar{\partial}\varphi=0$  &  $\partial\varphi=0 \Leftrightarrow \Delta_{\bar{\partial}}\varphi=0$   
 $\Leftrightarrow \bar{\partial}\alpha=0$  &  $\partial\beta=0 \Leftrightarrow \alpha$  holomorphic &  $\beta$  antiholomorphic. See P81  $\Downarrow$

This will be the case if and only if  $\partial\varphi = \bar{\partial}\varphi = 0$ ,  
 or equivalently, if and only if  $d\varphi = d^c\varphi = 0$ .

$$\Gamma \quad d = \partial + \bar{\partial} \quad d^c = \frac{i}{4\pi} (\bar{\partial} - \partial) \Rightarrow \partial\varphi + \bar{\partial}\varphi = 0 \text{ \& } \bar{\partial}\varphi = \partial\varphi \Leftrightarrow \partial\varphi = \bar{\partial}\varphi = 0. \quad \Downarrow$$

If  $d\varphi=0$ , then locally  $\varphi = df$  for some  $C^\infty$  function  $f$ ; we have

$$d^c\varphi = d^c df = -\frac{1}{\pi} \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \right) dx \wedge dy,$$

i.e.,  $\varphi$  is harmonic  $\Leftrightarrow f$  is harmonic in the usual sense of one complex variable. In particular, we see that the harmonic space  $\mathcal{H}^1(S)$  does not depend on the choice of metric.

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma \quad d^c\varphi &= d^c df = \frac{i}{4\pi} (\bar{\partial} - \partial) \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} dy \right) \\ &= \frac{i}{4\pi} \left\{ \bar{\partial} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) dx + \bar{\partial} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) dy - \partial \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) dx - \partial \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) dy \right\} \\ &= \frac{i}{4\pi} \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{i}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} \right) (-i dy \wedge dx) + \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} + i \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \right) dx \wedge dy \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} - \frac{i}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} \right) i dy \wedge dx - \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} - \frac{i}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \right) dx \wedge dy \right\} \\ &= \frac{i}{4\pi} \left( i \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} dx \wedge dy + i \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} dx \wedge dy \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4\pi} \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \right) dx \wedge dy. \Rightarrow \text{We did not need the metric when we talk of harmonic. } \Downarrow$$