

homology class of degree  $2p$  is of pure type (p.p), see P163 and see P118). In case  $p=9$ ,

$$H^{p,p}(\tilde{M}) = H^{p,p}(\mathbb{P}^{n-1}) \oplus H^{p,p}(M) \Rightarrow \text{By } H^{p,p}(\mathbb{P}^{n-1}) = \mathbb{C} \\ \text{for } 2p \leq 2(n-1), \text{ see P118, } H^{p,p}(\tilde{M}) = \mathbb{C} \oplus H^{p,p}(M). \\ \Rightarrow h^{p,p}(\tilde{M}) = h^{p,p}(M) + 1, \quad p > 0.$$

(\*) is valid since the Mayer-Vietoris sequence is natural.  $\Rightarrow$

We make here one new definition. Let  $p, M, \tilde{M}$  and  $\pi$  be as above, and let  $V \subset M$  be any analytic subvariety of  $M$ . Then we define the proper transform  $\tilde{V} \subset \tilde{M}$  of  $V$  to be the closure in  $\tilde{M}$  of the inverse image

$$\tilde{V} = \overline{\pi^{-1}(V - \{p\})} = \overline{\pi^{-1}(V) - E}$$

of  $V$  away from  $p$ .

$$\Gamma \quad \pi^{-1}(V - \{p\}) \stackrel{?}{=} \pi^{-1}(V) - E$$

$$\pi^{-1}(V) \cap \pi^{-1}(M - \{p\}) = \pi^{-1}(V) \cap (\tilde{M} - \pi^{-1}(p)) = \pi^{-1}(V) \cap (\pi^{-1}(p))^c \\ = \pi^{-1}(V) \cap E^c = \pi^{-1}(V) - E$$

$$\pi^{-1}(M - \{p\}) \stackrel{?}{=} \tilde{M} - \pi^{-1}(p)$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &\Leftrightarrow \pi(x) \in M - \{p\} \Leftrightarrow \pi(x) \notin \{p\} \Leftrightarrow x \notin \pi^{-1}(p) \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in \tilde{M} - \pi^{-1}(p) \end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow$$

Clearly  $\pi$  maps  $\tilde{V} - E = \pi^{-1}(V - \{p\})$  isomorphically onto  $V - \{p\}$ . To get a picture of  $\tilde{V}$  near the exceptional divisor, let  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n)$  be holomorphic coordinates around  $p \in M$ ,  $\tilde{U}$  the open set  $(\tilde{z}_i \neq 0)$  in