

# Pluripotential theory in Kähler geometry

In the last 50 years pluripotential theory has played a central role in order to solve geometric problems, such as the existence of special metrics (e.g. Kähler-Einstein, cscK) on a compact Kähler manifold. This course aims to present some recent developments in pluripotential theory. These new tools are so flexible that allow to study singular settings: we will be then able to work with a singular variety and/or to search for singular metrics.

The course will consist of 8 lectures, each of 1h30 for a total of 12 hours. I propose the course to run in December/January. In particular:

- 2 lectures in the week 20-24 December (e.g. the 20th and the 21th)
- 3 lectures in the week 10-14 January (e.g. the 10th, the 11th and the 14th)
- 3 lectures in the week 17-21 January (e.g. the 17th, the 18th and the 21th).

Here below a detailed description of the program for each lecture:

**Lecture 1** We start with some preliminaries: compact Kähler manifolds, big cohomology classes, volume of a big class, quasi-plurisubharmonic functions and  $\theta$ -plurisubharmonic ( $\theta$ -psh for short) functions where  $\{\theta\}$  is a big cohomology class, Monge-Ampère measure and Monge-Ampère energy classes. We then define the *singularity class* of a  $\theta$ -plurisubharmonic function. We basically follow [BEGZ10], and [GZ17].

**Lecture 2** We give some preliminaries on Monge-Ampère capacities in big cohomology classes together with a sketch of the proof of “Kołodziej Theorem”. We follow the presentation in [EGZ09] and [GZ17].

**Lecture 3** We consider and study a particular and important set of  $\theta$ -psh functions: *envelopes*. More precisely, given  $h$  a (suitably regular) function we consider:

$$P_\theta(h) := (\sup\{u \mid \theta - \text{psh} \quad u \leq h\})^*.$$

We study the regularity properties of such functions and the properties of their Monge-Ampère measure. We follow [DDNL18a], [DDNL19] and [DNT20].

**Lecture 4** We give a nice characterization of the Monge-Ampère class  $\mathcal{E}$  (in the big setting) in terms of envelopes. We follow [DDNL18b].

**Lecture 5** We study the space of the singularity classes of  $\theta$ -psh functions. We follow [DDNL21].

**Lectures 6 and 7** We study and solve complex Monge-Ampère equations with *prescribed singularities*. As corollary we show the existence of singular Kähler-Einstein metrics. We follow [DDNL19].

**Lecture 8** We prove the log-concavity conjecture for the volume of  $(1, 1)$ -currents. We follow [DDNL19].

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