

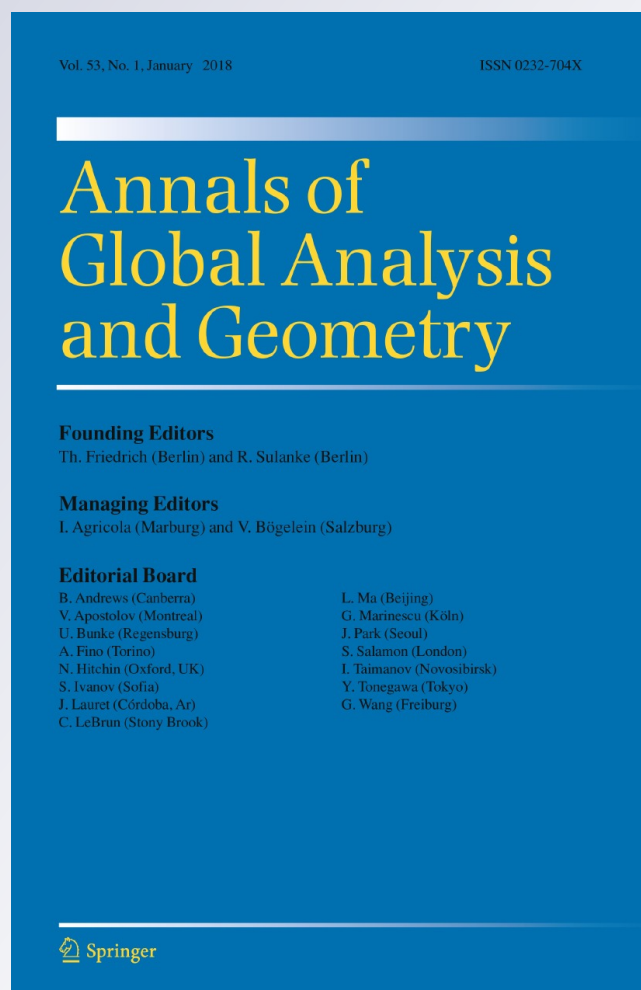
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Abstract We study the Morse–Novikov cohomology and its almost-symplectic counterpart on manifolds admitting locally conformally symplectic structures. More precisely, we introduce lcs cohomologies and we study elliptic Hodge theory, dualities, Hard Lefschetz condition. We consider solvmanifolds and Oeljeklaus–Toma manifolds. In particular, we prove that Oeljeklaus–Toma manifolds with precisely one complex place, and under an additional arithmetic condition, satisfy the Mostow property. This holds in particular for the Inoue surface of type S^0 .

Keywords Locally conformally symplectic · Symplectic cohomologies · Non-Kähler geometry

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Introduction

On a compact differentiable manifold X , *flat line bundles* (namely, local systems of 1-dimensional \mathbb{C} -vector spaces) are determined by the associated monodromy homomorphism $\pi_1(X, x) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$, which can be viewed as a cohomology class $[\vartheta] \in H^1(X; \mathbb{C})$. Consider the twisted differential $d_\vartheta := d - \vartheta \wedge -$, that is the exterior derivative perturbed by a closed 1-form ϑ . The cohomology of the perturbed complex $(\wedge^\bullet X, d_\vartheta)$ is called *Morse–Novikov cohomology* $H_\vartheta^\bullet(X)$ [18, 36, 37] of X with respect to ϑ , and it depends just on $[\vartheta] \in H^1(X; \mathbb{R})$ up to gauge equivalence. It may provide information on the manifold itself. See e.g. the explicit computations on Inoue surfaces in [40], where the Morse–Novikov cohomology allows to distinguish between Inoue surfaces of type S^+ and S^- , even if they have the same Betti numbers. So, it may be useful to understand the cohomology $H_\vartheta^\bullet(X)$ varying $[\vartheta] \in H^1(X; \mathbb{R})$; in particular one can study, for example, $H_{k \cdot \vartheta}^\bullet(X)$ varying $k \in \mathbb{R}$ for a fixed $[\vartheta] \in H^1(X; \mathbb{R})$.

In the holomorphic category, twisted differentials have been studied in [25], see also [4]. In particular, Kasuya gives in [25, Theorem 1.7] a structure theorem for Kähler solvmanifolds in terms of strong-Hodge-decomposition with respect to *any* perturbation of the differentials, which he calls *hyper-strong-Hodge-decomposition*. This result yields a Hodge-theoretical proof of the Arapura theorem characterizing solvmanifolds in class \mathcal{C} of Fujiki, see [4, Theorem 3.3].

The twisted differential d_ϑ has also a geometric description. In fact, by the Poincaré Lemma, closed 1-forms correspond to local conformal changes. So, for example, for an almost-symplectic form Ω (that is, a non-degenerate 2-form), the *locally conformal symplectic* condition corresponds to $d_\vartheta \Omega = 0$ for some closed Lee form ϑ , while the symplectic condition corresponds to $d\Omega = 0$, that is the case $\vartheta = 0$.

In this note, we consider locally conformal symplectic (say, lcs) structures. We take their associated closed Lee forms as natural twists for the differential—in the spirit of the equivariant point of view introduced in [16]. We introduce and study cohomologies in the lcs setting as analogues of the Tseng and Yau symplectic cohomologies [47, 48]. We develop here the algebraic aspects arising from a structure of bi-differential vector space, while Le and Vanžura study primitive cohomology groups in [28]. (See also [3], where symplectic cohomologies and symplectic cohomologies with values in a local system are studied, with focus on solvmanifolds.)

More precisely, under the inspiration of [11, 51], we start by looking at the commutation between the twisted differential d_ϑ by the Lee form and the $\mathfrak{sl}(2, \mathbb{R})$ -representation operators associated with the lcs (almost-symplectic is enough) form Ω , namely $L := \Omega \wedge -$ and $\Lambda := -\iota_{\Omega^{-1}}$ and $H = [L, \Lambda]$. It is clear that $d_\vartheta L = Ld + d_\vartheta \Omega$; so, the lcs condition $d_\vartheta \Omega = 0$ assures that $d_\vartheta L = Ld$. Moreover, the commutation between d_ϑ and Λ was computed in [7, Proposition 2.8], and once again it gives a change of the twist but still in the same line; see also [28, Section 2]. Both these results suggest to look not only at the twist $[\vartheta]$, but also at $k \cdot [\vartheta]$ varying $k \in \mathbb{R}$. Moreover, in the spirit of the Novikov inequalities, which link the number of zeroes of a closed 1-form of Morse-type with the dimension of the Morse–Novikov cohomology, note that ϑ and $k \cdot \vartheta$ have the same zeroes when $k \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$. For large k , interesting phenomena occur: e.g. if ϑ is not exact, then $k \cdot \vartheta$ is the Lee form of a lcs structure [15]; if ϑ is nowhere vanishing, then the Morse–Novikov cohomology with respect to $k \cdot \vartheta$ vanishes [41].

This is our motivation to define a bi-differential graded vector space associated with $(k + \mathbb{Z}) \cdot [\vartheta]$, see Lemma 1.3. Once we have this bi-differential vector space structure, we investigate its associated cohomologies: other than the Morse–Novikov cohomology and its lcs-dual, we have *lcs-Bott–Chern and Aepli* cohomologies. Following the same pattern as [11, 12, 19, 31, 32, 47, 51], we study elliptic Hodge theory, and we get some results concerning Poincaré dualities, see Proposition 2.3 and Theorem 2.4, and Hard Lefschetz condition, see Theorems 2.6 and 2.7. Finally, we study some explicit examples, on nilmanifolds (Kodaira–Thurston surface [26, 46]) and *solvmanifolds* (Inoue surfaces of type S^+ [23], for which see also [40], and Oeljeklaus–Toma manifolds [38]).

For compact quotients of connected simply connected completely solvable Lie groups, the Hattori theorem [22, Corollary 4.2] allows to reduce the computation of the Morse–Novikov cohomology at the linear level of the Lie algebra, and the same holds for lcs cohomologies, see Lemma 3.1. In general, for a solvmanifold $\Gamma \backslash G$ which is not completely solvable, there is no reason of having $H^*(\mathfrak{g}) \simeq H^*(\Gamma \backslash G)$. One situation when this happens is when the solvmanifold satisfies the *Mostow condition* [34]. We prove this condition suffices also for the lcs cohomologies with respect to an invariant closed one-form, see Proposition 3.2. The case of Inoue surfaces is interesting because two subclasses, S^\pm , are completely solvable, falling thus under the scope of the Hattori theorem; however, this is not the case of the subclass S^0 . In [40], the computations of the cohomology are done without using the structure of solvmanifold, but instead with a “twisted” version of the Mayer–Vietoris sequence. We prove here that Inoue surfaces of type S^0 and, more in general, certain Oeljeklaus–Toma manifolds of type $(s, 1)$, also known in the literature as *with one complex place*, satisfy the Mostow condition, see Proposition 4.2 and Theorem 4.3, respectively. More precisely, here we have to assume an arithmetic condition on the associated number field, namely, that there is no totally real intermediate extension. This holds for example for the Inoue surface of type S^0 , that is, in the case $(s, t) = (1, 1)$, see also Proposition 4.2. As we show in Proposition 4.6, for any s there exists an Oeljeklaus–Toma manifold of type $(s, 1)$ satisfying such a property.

1 Bi-differential graded vector space for lcs structures

Let X be a compact differentiable manifold endowed with a *locally conformal symplectic form* Ω with *Lee form* ϑ , namely: Ω is an almost-symplectic form (i.e. a non-degenerate 2-form) such that

$$d\Omega - \vartheta \wedge \Omega = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad d\vartheta = 0.$$

We set

$$L := \Omega \wedge \cdot \quad \text{and} \quad \Lambda := -\iota_{\Omega^{-1}},$$

where ι denotes the contraction. Read $\Lambda = -L^* = -\star^{-1} L \star$, up to a sign, as the symplectic adjoint of L , namely the dual of L with respect to the L^2 -pairing induced by the almost-symplectic form Ω . Recall that, L and Λ together with

$$H := [L, \Lambda],$$

yield an $\mathfrak{sl}(2, \mathbb{R})$ -representation on $\wedge^* X$, see [51, Corollary 1.6], see also [28, Corollary 2.4] quoting [29, Section 1].

For $k \in \mathbb{R}$, we consider the following operators, compare [28, Section 2]:

$$d_k := d_{k\vartheta} := d - (k\vartheta) \wedge -: \wedge^\bullet X \rightarrow \wedge^{\bullet+1} X,$$

$$\delta_k := d_{k-1}\Lambda - \Lambda d_k: \wedge^\bullet X \rightarrow \wedge^{\bullet-1} X.$$

By a straightforward computation, the Leibniz rule for d_k reads as:

$$d_k(\alpha \wedge \beta) = d_{k-h}\alpha \wedge \beta + (-1)^{\deg \alpha} \alpha \wedge d_h\beta,$$

for $h \in \mathbb{R}$, see [28, Lemma 2.1]. We also notice that if we change ϑ by $\vartheta + df$, then the lcs structure Ω with Lee form ϑ yields the lcs structure $\exp(f)\Omega$ with respect to the Lee form $\vartheta + df$, and the above operators change as follows:

$$d_{k(\vartheta+df)} = \exp(kf) d_{k\vartheta} \exp(-kf), \tag{1.1}$$

$$\delta_{k(\vartheta+df)} = \exp((k-1)f) \delta_{k\vartheta} \exp(-kf). \tag{1.2}$$

Remark 1.1 Note that, in [28], the sign of ϑ is chosen opposite: $d_k^{LV} := d + k\vartheta \wedge -$. Therefore, we have $d_k^{LV} = d_{-k}$. Their second operator is $\delta_k^{LV} \lfloor_{\wedge^h X} := (-1)^h \star d_{n+k-h}^{LV} \star$, [28, Equation (2.11)], that is, $\delta_k^{LV} \lfloor_{\wedge^h X} = \delta_{2n+k-2h}$, as follows by the formulas (1.3) and (1.4). Moreover, as for Λ , the notation in our note differs from [28] up to a sign.

In order to give a different interpretation of δ_k , we need some preliminaries. Recall that, once fixed any almost-complex structure J on X , one defines $d_k^c := J^{-1}d_k J$. Denoting with \star the Hodge- \star -operator associated with a fixed J -Hermitian metric g on X , the formula for the adjoint of d_k , respectively d_k^c , with respect to the L^2 -pairing induced by g is $d_k^* = -\star d_{-k}\star$, respectively $(d_k^c)^* = -\star d_{-k}^c\star$. Moreover, we can also consider the L^2 -pairing induced by the almost-symplectic structure Ω , whence the symplectic Hodge- \star -operator in [11, Section 2]. The analogue formulas for the adjoint in the symplectic context are $d_k^* \lfloor_{\wedge^h X} = (-1)^h \star d_{-k}\star$, and $(d_k^c)^* \lfloor_{\wedge^h X} = (-1)^h \star d_{-k}^c\star$. (Recall that $\star^2 \lfloor_{\wedge^h X} = (-1)^h \cdot \text{id}$ and $\star^2 = \text{id}$.) Finally, recall that: if J is an almost-complex structure compatible with the almost-symplectic form Ω , once set $g := \Omega(-, J\cdot)$ the corresponding J -Hermitian metric (that is, (g, J, Ω) is an almost-Hermitian structure), then we have the relation $\star = J\star$ [11, Corollary 2.4.3]. Therefore, we get

$$d_k^* \lfloor_{\wedge^h X} = (-1)^h \star d_{-k}\star = -\star d_{-k}^c\star = (d_k^c)^*. \tag{1.3}$$

We have the following.

Lemma 1.2 ([7, Proposition 2.8]) *Let X be a compact differentiable manifold of dimension $2n$, endowed with a locally conformal symplectic form Ω with Lee form ϑ . Consider an almost-complex structure compatible with Ω , and the associated Hermitian metric. Then,*

$$\delta_k \lfloor_{\wedge^h X} = d_{-(n+k-h)}^* = (d_{-(n+k-h)}^c)^*. \tag{1.4}$$

We have

Lemma 1.3 *Let X be a compact differentiable manifold of dimension $2n$, and let ϑ be a d -closed 1-form. Assume that there is a locally conformal symplectic form Ω with Lee form ϑ . Then, for any fixed $k \in \mathbb{R}$, the diagram*

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\
 & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\
 \dots & \longrightarrow & \wedge^{h-2} X & \xrightarrow{d_{k-1}} & \wedge^{h-1} X & \xrightarrow{d_{k-1}} & \wedge^h X & \longrightarrow \dots \\
 & & \uparrow \delta_k & & \uparrow \delta_k & & \uparrow \delta_k & \\
 \dots & \longrightarrow & \wedge^{h-1} X & \xrightarrow{d_k} & \wedge^h X & \xrightarrow{d_k} & \wedge^{h+1} X & \longrightarrow \dots \\
 & & \uparrow \delta_{k+1} & & \uparrow \delta_{k+1} & & \uparrow \delta_{k+1} & \\
 \dots & \longrightarrow & \wedge^h X & \xrightarrow{d_{k+1}} & \wedge^{h+1} X & \xrightarrow{d_{k+1}} & \wedge^{h+2} X & \longrightarrow \dots \\
 & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & \\
 & & \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots &
 \end{array} \tag{1.5}$$

represents a \mathbb{Z} -graded bi-differential vector space.

Proof We have to prove that:

$$(d_k)^2 = 0, \quad \delta_k \delta_{k+1} = 0, \quad d_{k-1} \delta_k + \delta_k d_k = 0.$$

- More in general, by straightforward computations, we notice that

$$d_k d_\ell = (\ell - k) \vartheta \wedge -.$$

- Let J be an almost-complex structure compatible with the almost-symplectic structure Ω , and let g be the associated J -Hermitian metric. We compute:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (\delta_k \delta_{k+1}) \lrcorner_{\wedge^h X} \\
 &= (d_{-(n+k-(h-1))}^c)^* (d_{-(n+(k+1)-h)}^c)^* \\
 &= * J^{-1} d_{n+k-h+1} J * * J^{-1} d_{n+k-h+1} J * \\
 &= (-1)^{h+1} * J^{-1} d_{n+k-h+1} d_{n+k-h+1} J * = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

The third equality follows from the fact that $*^2 \lrcorner_{\wedge^h X} = (-1)^h$; the last one follows by the previous point of the proof.

- We compute:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & d_{k-1} \delta_k + \delta_k d_k \\
 &= d_{k-1} d_{k-1} \Lambda - d_{k-1} \Lambda d_k + d_{k-1} \Lambda d_k - \Lambda d_k d_k = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof. □

2 Cohomologies for lcs structures

Let X be a compact differentiable manifold, and let ϑ be a d -closed 1-form. Assume that there exists a locally conformal symplectic form Ω on X with Lee form ϑ , namely Ω is a non-degenerate 2-form such that $d_\vartheta \Omega = 0$. Fix $k \in \mathbb{R}$. Once given the bi-differential \mathbb{Z} -graded vector space in the Lemma 1.3, we can define the following cohomologies:

$$\begin{aligned}
 H_{d_k}^\bullet(X) &:= \frac{\ker d_k}{\operatorname{im} d_k}, & H_{\delta_k}^\bullet(X) &:= \frac{\ker \delta_k}{\operatorname{im} \delta_{k+1}}, \\
 H_{d_k+\delta_k}^\bullet(X) &:= \frac{\ker d_k \cap \ker \delta_k}{\operatorname{im} \delta_{k+1} d_{k+1}}, & H_{\delta_k d_k}^\bullet(X) &:= \frac{\ker \delta_k d_k}{\operatorname{im} d_k + \operatorname{im} \delta_{k+1}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

We call $H_{d_k+\delta_k}^\bullet(X)$ the *lcs-Bott–Chern cohomology* of weight k of X , and $H_{\delta_k d_k}^\bullet(X)$ the *lcs-Aeppli cohomology* of weight k of X . Note that thanks to (1.1) and (1.2), the above cohomologies depend just on $[\vartheta] \in H_{dR}^1(X; \mathbb{R})$, up to gauge equivalence.

The identity induces natural maps of \mathbb{Z} -graded vector spaces:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & H_{d_k+\delta_k}^\bullet(X) & \\
 \swarrow & & \searrow \\
 H_{d_k}^\bullet(X) & & H_{\delta_k}^\bullet(X) \\
 \searrow & \downarrow & \swarrow \\
 & H_{\delta_k d_k}^\bullet(X) &
 \end{array} \tag{2.1}$$

By definition, we say that X satisfies the $\delta_k d_k$ -Lemma if the natural map $H_{d_k+\delta_k}^\bullet(X) \rightarrow H_{\delta_k d_k}^\bullet(X)$ induced by the identity is injective. We say that X satisfies the *lcs-Lemma* if it satisfies the $\delta_k d_k$ -Lemma for any $k \in \mathbb{R}$. In this case, all the above maps are isomorphisms, see [14, Lemma 5.15], adapted in [6, Lemma 1.4] to the \mathbb{Z} -graded case.

Remark 2.1 (Comparison with Tseng and Yau’s symplectic cohomologies) In the case $\vartheta = 0$, the lcs form Ω with Lee form ϑ is in fact symplectic. In [47,48], Tseng and Yau introduce and study the Bott–Chern and the Aeppli cohomologies for symplectic manifolds, defined as

$$H_{d+d^\Lambda}^\bullet(X) := \frac{\ker d \cap \ker d^\Lambda}{\operatorname{im} dd^\Lambda} \quad \text{and} \quad H_{dd^\Lambda}^\bullet(X) := \frac{\ker dd^\Lambda}{\operatorname{im} d + \operatorname{im} d^\Lambda},$$

where $d^\Lambda := [d, \Lambda]$. In case $\vartheta = 0$, notice that, for any $k \in \mathbb{R}$, one has $d_k = d$ and $\delta_k = d^\Lambda$, whence

$$H_{d_k+\delta_k}^\bullet(X) = H_{d+d^\Lambda}^\bullet(X), \quad H_{\delta_k d_k}^\bullet(X) = H_{dd^\Lambda}^\bullet(X).$$

This means that the lcs cohomologies defined above coincide with the ones defined by Tseng and Yau in the symplectic case. In particular, X satisfies the $\delta_k d_k$ -Lemma for some k if and only if it satisfies the lcs-Lemma if and only if the symplectic structure satisfies the Hard Lefschetz condition, see [47, Proposition 3.13] and the references therein.

2.1 Elliptic Hodge theory for lcs cohomologies

As before, consider an almost-complex structure J compatible with the almost-symplectic form Ω , and let $g := \Omega(-, J\cdot)$ be the corresponding J -Hermitian metric. Fix $k \in \mathbb{R}$. We consider the adjoint operators

$$d_k^* = - * d_{-k} *, \quad \delta_k^* \lrcorner \wedge^h X = d_{-(n+k-h)}^c,$$

of d_k , respectively δ_k , with respect to the L^2 -pairing induced by g .

We follow [27,45,47], and we define the following operators, see also [18] for the Morse–Novikov cohomology:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{d_k} &:= d_k d_k^* + d_k^* d_k, \\ \Delta_{\delta_k} &:= \delta_k^* \delta_k + \delta_{k+1} \delta_{k+1}^*, \\ \Delta_{d_k + \delta_k} &:= d_k^* d_k + \delta_k^* \delta_k + (\delta_{k+1} d_{k+1}) (\delta_{k+1} d_{k+1})^* + (\delta_k d_k)^* (\delta_k d_k) \\ &\quad + (d_k^* \delta_{k+1}) (d_k^* \delta_{k+1})^* + (d_{k-1}^* \delta_k)^* (d_{k-1}^* \delta_k), \\ \Delta_{\delta_k d_k} &:= d_k d_k^* + \delta_{k+1} \delta_{k+1}^* + (\delta_k d_k)^* (\delta_k d_k) + (\delta_{k+1} d_{k+1}) (\delta_{k+1} d_{k+1})^* \\ &\quad + (\delta_{k+1} d_{k+1}^*) (\delta_{k+1} d_{k+1}^*)^* + (d_k \delta_k^*) (d_k \delta_k^*)^*. \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 2.2 *Let X be a compact differentiable manifold of dimension $2n$, and let ϑ be a d -closed 1-form. Assume that there is a locally conformal symplectic form Ω with Lee form ϑ . Fix an almost-complex structure J compatible with Ω , and let g be the corresponding J -Hermitian metric. Fix $k \in \mathbb{R}$. Then:*

- (i) *the operators $\Delta_{d_k}, \Delta_{\delta_k}, \Delta_{d_k + \delta_k}, \Delta_{\delta_k d_k}$ are differential self-adjoint elliptic operators;*
- (ii) *the following Hodge decompositions hold:*

$$\begin{aligned} \wedge^\bullet X &= \ker \Delta_{d_k} \oplus \text{im } \Delta_{d_k}, \\ \wedge^\bullet X &= \ker \Delta_{\delta_k} \oplus \text{im } \Delta_{\delta_k}, \\ \wedge^\bullet X &= \ker \Delta_{d_k + \delta_k} \oplus \text{im } \Delta_{d_k + \delta_k}, \\ \wedge^\bullet X &= \ker \Delta_{\delta_k d_k} \oplus \text{im } \Delta_{\delta_k d_k}; \end{aligned}$$

(iii) *the following isomorphisms hold:*

$$\begin{aligned} \ker \Delta_{d_k} &\xrightarrow{\cong} H_{d_k}^\bullet(X), \\ \ker \Delta_{\delta_k} &\xrightarrow{\cong} H_{\delta_k}^\bullet(X), \\ \ker \Delta_{d_k + \delta_k} &\xrightarrow{\cong} H_{d_k + \delta_k}^\bullet(X), \\ \ker \Delta_{\delta_k d_k} &\xrightarrow{\cong} H_{\delta_k d_k}^\bullet(X); \end{aligned}$$

(iv) *in particular, the lcs cohomologies $H_{d_k}^\bullet(X), H_{\delta_k}^\bullet(X), H_{d_k + \delta_k}^\bullet(X), H_{\delta_k d_k}^\bullet(X)$ have finite dimension.*

Proof Notice that the top order terms coincide with the terms corresponding to $k = 0$. In particular, the operators are elliptic, see [47, Proposition 3.3, Theorem 3.5, Theorem 3.16]. The statement follows from the general theory of differential self-adjoint elliptic operators. □

2.2 Symmetries in lcs cohomologies

The following two results resumes the dualities *à la Poincaré* for the lcs cohomologies.

Proposition 2.3 *Let X be a compact differentiable manifold of dimension $2n$ endowed with a locally conformal symplectic form Ω with Lee form ϑ . Then, for any weight $k \in \mathbb{R}$, for any degree $h \in \mathbb{Z}$, the symplectic- \star -operator induces the isomorphism*

$$\star: H_{d_k}^{n-h}(X) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_{\delta_{h+k}}^{n+h}(X).$$

On the other side, once chosen an almost-Kähler structure (g, J, Ω) on X , for any $k \in \mathbb{R}$, $h \in \mathbb{Z}$, the Hodge- $$ -operator induces the isomorphisms*

$$*: H_{d_k}^{n-h}(X) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_{d-k}^{n+h}(X) \quad \text{and} \quad *: H_{\delta_{-k-h}}^{n-h}(X) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_{\delta_{k+h}}^{n+h}(X).$$

Proof The first statement follows by the formula (1.4):

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{h+k} \star \lrcorner_{\wedge^{n-h} X} &= d_{-n-(h+k)+(n+h)}^{\star} = d_{-k}^{\star} \star \\ &= (-1)^{n+h} \star d_k \star \star \\ &= (-1)^{n+h} \star d_k \lrcorner_{\wedge^{n-h} X}, \end{aligned}$$

and by $\star^2 = \text{id}$.

Now let (g, J, Ω) be a compatible triple. Denoting with $\mathcal{H}_{d_k}^{\bullet}(X) := \ker \Delta_{d_k}$, we prove that

$$\star : \mathcal{H}_{d_k}^{n-h}(X) \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{H}_{d_{-k}}^{n+h}(X) ;$$

the proof of the other isomorphism is similar. Let $\alpha \in \mathcal{H}_{d_k}^{n-h}(X)$, namely $d_k \alpha = 0$ and $d_k^{\star} \alpha = 0$. Then

$$d_{-k} \star \alpha = (-1)^{n-h+1} \star d_{-k} \star \alpha = (-1)^{n-h} \star d_k^{\star} \alpha$$

and

$$d_{-k}^{\star} \star \alpha = - \star d_k \star \star \alpha = (-1)^{n-h+1} \star d_k \alpha.$$

We have then proved the commutation relation $\Delta_{d_{-k}} \star = \star \Delta_{d_k}$. □

Theorem 2.4 *Let X be a compact differentiable manifold of dimension $2n$ endowed with a locally conformal symplectic form Ω with Lee form ϑ . Let (g, J, Ω) be an almost-Kähler structure on X . Then, for any weight $k \in \mathbb{R}$, for any degree $h \in \mathbb{Z}$, the Hodge- \star -operator induces the isomorphism*

$$\star : H_{d_k + \delta_k}^{n-h}(X) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_{\delta_{-k} d_{-k}}^{n+h}(X).$$

Proof Note that $L^{\star} = \star^{-1} L \star = \star^{-1} L \star = L^{\star} = -\Lambda$. We claim that $\delta_k^{\star} = \star \delta_{-k+1}$. Indeed, by using also $JL = L$ and $J\Lambda = \Lambda$:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_k^{\star} \lrcorner_{\wedge^h X} &= (d_{k-1} \Lambda - \Lambda d_k)^{\star} = d_k^{\star} L - L d_{k-1}^{\star} \\ &= - \star d_{-k} \star L \star^{-1} \star + \star \star^{-1} L \star d_{-k+1} \star \\ &= - \star d_{-k} (\star^{-1} L \star) \star + \star (\star^{-1} L \star) d_{-k+1} \star \\ &= \star d_{-k} \Lambda \star - \star \Lambda d_{-k+1} \star \\ &= \star (d_{-k} \Lambda - \Lambda d_{-k+1}) \star \\ &= \star \delta_{-k+1} \star. \end{aligned}$$

Using this relation and the definitions of the lcs Laplacians, we get that, for any differential form α , it holds $\Delta_{d_k + \delta_k} \alpha = 0$ if and only if

$$d_k \alpha = 0, \quad \delta_k \alpha = 0, \quad (d_k \delta_{k+1})^{\star} \alpha = 0,$$

equivalently,

$$d_{-k}^{\star} (\star \alpha) = 0, \quad \delta_{-k+1}^{\star} (\star \alpha) = 0, \quad \delta_{-k} d_{-k} (\star \alpha) = 0,$$

that is, $\Delta_{\delta_{-k} d_{-k}} (\star \alpha) = 0$. By Proposition 2.2, we get the proof. □

2.3 Hard Lefschetz condition for lcs cohomologies

As a consequence of the previous relations and their dual, we can prove the Hard Lefschetz condition for the lcs-Bott–Chern and lcs-Aeppli cohomologies (see [47, Theorem 3.11, Theorem 3.22] for the same result in the symplectic setting).

Lemma 2.5 *Let X be a manifold endowed with a lcs structure Ω with Lee form θ . Then, the following commutation relations hold:*

$$\begin{aligned} Ld_k - d_{k+1}L &= 0, & L\delta_k - \delta_{k+1}L &= d_k, \\ d_{k-1}\Lambda - \Lambda d_k &= \delta_k, & \delta_{k-1}\Lambda - \Lambda\delta_k &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Proof The first, [28, Equation (2.5)], follows by the Leibniz rule and the lcs condition $d_1\Omega = 0$. The second follows by the first one and by $[L, \Lambda] = H$: indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} L\delta_k - \delta_{k+1}L &= Ld_{k-1}\Lambda - L\Lambda d_k - d_k\Lambda L + \Lambda d_{k+1}L \\ &= d_kL\Lambda - L\Lambda d_k - d_k\Lambda L + \Lambda Ld_k = d_kH - Hd_k \\ &= d_k \sum_s (n-s)\pi_{\wedge^s X} - \sum_s (n-s-1)d_k\pi_{\wedge^s X} = d_k, \end{aligned}$$

where we recall that $H \lrcorner_{\wedge \bullet X} = \sum_s (n-s)\pi_{\wedge^s X}$ where $\pi_{\wedge^s X}$ denotes the projection onto the space $\wedge^s X$. The third and the fourth relations are, respectively, the definition of δ_k and the symplectic dual of the first commutation identity above, see [28, Proposition 2.5]. \square

Theorem 2.6 *Let X be a compact manifold of dimension $2n$ endowed with a lcs structure Ω with Lee form θ . Then, for any $h \in \mathbb{Z}$, for any $k \in \mathbb{R}$, the following maps are isomorphisms:*

$$\begin{aligned} L^h : H_{d_k + \delta_k}^{n-h}(X) &\xrightarrow{\cong} H_{d_{k+h} + \delta_{k+h}}^{n+h}(X), \\ L^h : H_{\delta_k d_k}^{n-h}(X) &\xrightarrow{\cong} H_{\delta_{k+h} d_{k+h}}^{n+h}(X). \end{aligned}$$

Proof We consider the following differential operators

$$\begin{aligned} D_{d_k + \delta_k} &:= d_k^* d_k + \delta_k^* \delta_k + (\delta_{k+1} d_{k+1}) (\delta_{k+1} d_{k+1})^*, \\ D_{\delta_k d_k} &:= d_k d_k^* + \delta_{k+1} \delta_{k+1}^* + (\delta_k d_k)^* (\delta_k d_k). \end{aligned}$$

Notice that $\ker D_{d_k + \delta_k} = \ker \Delta_{d_k + \delta_k}$ and $\ker D_{\delta_k d_k} = \ker \Delta_{\delta_k d_k}$. The advantage of considering these operators is that by the relations proved in Lemma 2.5 one easily gets

$$LD_{d_k + \delta_k} = D_{d_{k+1} + \delta_{k+1}} L, \quad LD_{\delta_k d_k} = D_{\delta_{k+1} d_{k+1}} L.$$

Notice that the operator L does not commute with $\Delta_{d_\bullet + \delta_\bullet}$ and $\Delta_{\delta_\bullet d_\bullet}$. As a consequence we have that the following maps are isomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} L^h : \mathcal{H}_{d_k + \delta_k}^{n-h}(X) &\xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{H}_{d_{k+h} + \delta_{k+h}}^{n+h}(X), \\ L^h : \mathcal{H}_{\delta_k d_k}^{n-h}(X) &\xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{H}_{\delta_{k+h} d_{k+h}}^{n+h}(X). \end{aligned}$$

The statement follows by Proposition 2.2. \square

Similarly to [32, Proposition 1.4], [19], [12, Theorem 5.4] stating that the dd^Λ -Lemma and the Hard Lefschetz condition are equivalent in the symplectic context, in the lcs setting we have the following result.

Theorem 2.7 *Let X be a compact manifold of dimension $2n$ endowed with a lcs structure Ω with Lee form ϑ . Then, the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1) *it satisfies the lcs-Hard Lefschetz condition, that is, for any $h \in \mathbb{Z}$, for any $k \in \mathbb{R}$, the map*

$$L^h : H_{d_k}^{n-h}(X) \rightarrow H_{d_{k+h}}^{n+h}(X)$$

is an isomorphism;

- (2) *it satisfies the lcs-Lemma, equivalently, for any $h \in \mathbb{Z}$, for any $k \in \mathbb{R}$, the map*

$$H_{d_k+\delta_k}^h(X) \rightarrow H_{d_k}^h(X)$$

is an isomorphism;

- (3) *it is symplectic up to global conformal changes, and it satisfies the Hard Lefschetz condition.*

We will show that (1) gives $[\vartheta] = 0$ and then (3), and that (2) implies (1) because of Theorem 2.6; finally, condition (3) is stronger than either (1) and (2) thanks to [32, Proposition 1.4], [19], [12, Theorem 5.4]. For the sake of completeness, we will also give a proof of the equivalence of (1) and (2), which may possibly turn useful for weaker statements. Before proving this, we will need few intermediate results.

Proposition 2.8 *Let X be a compact manifold endowed with a lcs structure Ω with Lee form ϑ . Then, the following conditions are equivalent:*

- *it satisfies the lcs-Hard Lefschetz condition;*
- *for any $k \in \mathbb{R}$, there exists a δ_k -closed representative in any cohomology class in $H_{d_k}^\bullet(X)$.*

Proof The proof is an adaptation to the twisted case of the one presented in [12, Theorem 5.3]. We will recall it for completeness. The “if” implication follows by the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{CD} \ker d_k \cap \ker \delta_k \mid_{\Lambda^{n-h}(X)} @>L^h>> \ker d_{k+h} \cap \ker \delta_{k+h} \mid_{\Lambda^{n+h}(X)} \\ @VVV @VVV \\ H_{d_k}^{n-h}(X) @>L^h>> H_{d_{k+h}}^{n+h}(X) \end{CD}$$

The left and right vertical arrows are surjective by hypothesis, and the top horizontal arrow is an isomorphism by the commutation relations. Hence, the bottom arrow is surjective.

Suppose now that the lcs-Hard Lefschetz condition holds. First of all notice that we have the following decomposition

$$H_{d_k}^{n-h}(X) = \text{im } L + P^{n-h}$$

where

$$P^{n-h} = \left\{ [\alpha] \in H_{d_k}^{n-h}(X) : L^{h+1}[\alpha] = 0 \right\}$$

and

$$\text{im } L = \text{im} \left(L : H_{d_{k-1}}^{n-h-2}(X) \rightarrow H_{d_k}^{n-h}(X) \right).$$

Indeed, let $\alpha \in \wedge^{n-h} X$ be d_k -closed. Take $\beta := L^{h+1}\alpha \in \wedge^{n+h+2} X$: it is a d_{k+h+1} -closed form. By the lcs-HLC, there exists $\gamma \in \wedge^{n-h-2} X$ a d_{k-1} -closed form such that $L^{h+2}[\gamma]_{d_{k-1}} = [\beta]_{d_{k+h+1}}$. Therefore,

$$0 = [L^{h+2}\gamma - \beta]_{d_{k+h+1}} = [L^{h+2}\gamma - L^{h+1}\alpha]_{d_{k+h+1}} = L^{h+1}[\Omega \wedge \gamma - \alpha]_{d_k},$$

so $\alpha = L\gamma + (\alpha - \Omega \wedge \gamma) \in \text{im } L + P^{n-h}$.

Now we prove our thesis by induction on the degree of the form. If f is a d_k -closed smooth function, then it is obviously δ_k -closed. Let $\alpha \in \wedge^1 X$ a d_k -closed form, then $\delta_k \alpha = d_{k-1} \Lambda \alpha - \Lambda d_k \alpha = 0$. Suppose that in every class in $H^j_{d_k}(X)$ there exists a δ_k -closed representative for $j < n - h$ and we prove the thesis for degree $n - h$. Let $\alpha \in \wedge^{n-h} X$ be d_k -closed; then by the previous decomposition $\alpha = L\gamma + \tilde{\alpha}$ with $L^{h+1}[\tilde{\alpha}] = 0$. By induction, there exists $\tilde{\gamma}$ a δ_{k-1} -closed form such that $[\gamma] = [\tilde{\gamma}]$ and so, if there exists ψ a δ_k -closed form such that $[\psi] = [\tilde{\alpha}]$, then we conclude the proof.

This last fact follows by the following consideration. If $\alpha \in \wedge^{n-h} X$ is d_k -closed and such that $L^{h+1}[\alpha]_{d_k} = 0$, then there exists a δ_k -closed form $\psi \in \wedge^{n-h} X$ in the same d_k -cohomology class. Indeed, since $L^{h+1}[\alpha]_{d_k} = 0$, then $\Omega^{h+1} \wedge \alpha = d_{k+h+1} \tilde{\beta}$ for some $\tilde{\beta} \in \wedge^{n+h+1} X$. Since $L^{h+1}: \wedge^{n-h-1} X \rightarrow \wedge^{n+h+1} X$ is an isomorphism, there exists $\beta \in \wedge^{n-h-1} X$ such that $L^{h+1} \beta = \tilde{\beta}$. Set $\psi := \alpha - d_k \beta$. Clearly, $d_k \psi = 0$ and $[\psi]_{d_k} = [\alpha]_{d_k}$ and $L^{h+1} \psi = L^{h+1} \alpha - L^{h+1} d_k \beta = d_{k+h+1} L^{h+1} \beta - L^{h+1} d_k \beta = L^{h+1} d_k \beta - L^{h+1} d_k \beta = 0$. Hence, ψ is a primitive d_k -closed form, so it is δ_k -closed by definition of δ_k . \square

Proposition 2.9 *Let X be a compact manifold endowed with a lcs structure Ω with Lee form ϑ . If X satisfies the lcs-Hard Lefschetz condition, then the following equalities hold for any $k \in \mathbb{R}$:*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{im } \delta_{k+1} \cap \ker d_k &= \text{im } d_k \cap \text{im } \delta_{k+1}, \\ \text{im } d_k \cap \ker \delta_k &= \text{im } d_k \cap \text{im } \delta_{k+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof We prove the first equality. The second one is similar.

We need to prove that if $\alpha \in \wedge^h X$ is such that $d_k \delta_{k+1} \alpha = 0$ then $\delta_{k+1} \alpha$ is d_k -exact. We proceed by induction on the degree of α . If α is a smooth function then clearly $\delta_{k+1} \alpha = 0$ is d_k -exact. Let $\alpha \in \wedge^1 X$ be such that $d_k \delta_{k+1} \alpha = 0$. We have to distinguish two cases. If $k \neq 0$, then $\delta_{k+1} \alpha \in H^0_{d_k}(X) = 0$ (see e.g. [9]). Otherwise, if $k = 0$, then $\delta_1 \alpha$ is a d -closed 0-form, so $\delta_1 \alpha = c$ constant. Hence

$$- \star d_n \star \alpha = \delta_1 \alpha = c$$

and applying \star to the first and the last term in the equalities we get $-d_n \star \alpha = c \text{Vol} = L^n c$, but by hypothesis $L^n: H^0_{d_0}(X) \rightarrow H^{2n}_{d_n}(X)$ is an isomorphism and the volume form $\text{Vol} = L^n 1$ cannot be d_n -exact so $0 = c = \delta_1 \alpha$.

Let now $\alpha \in \wedge^h X$ be such that $d_k \delta_{k+1} \alpha = 0$ and take the decomposition

$$\alpha = \sum_r L^r \alpha_r$$

with α_r primitive forms. It is a straightforward computation to show that

$$0 = d_k \delta_{k+1} \alpha = \sum_r L^r d_{k-r} \delta_{k+1-r} \alpha_r$$

with $d_{k-r} \delta_{k+1-r} \alpha_r$ primitive forms; hence, every single term is zero, namely $d_{k-r} \delta_{k+1-r} \alpha_r = 0$. When $r > 0$, by induction $\delta_{k+1-r} \alpha_r = d_{k-r} \varphi_r$ for some $\varphi_r \in \wedge^{h-2r-2} X$. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \delta_{k+1}L^r\alpha_r &= (L\delta_k - d_k)L^{r-1}\alpha_r \\
 &= L(L\delta_{k-1} - d_{k-1})L^{r-2}\alpha_r - d_kL^{r-1}\alpha_r = \dots \\
 &= L^r\delta_{k-r+1}\alpha_r - rd_kL^{r-1}\alpha_r \\
 &= L^r d_{k-r}\varphi_r - rd_kL^{r-1}\alpha_r \\
 &= d_k(L^r\varphi_r - rL^{r-1}\alpha_r).
 \end{aligned}$$

The last case that we have to consider is when $\alpha \in \wedge^h X$ is a primitive form. We define $\beta \in \wedge^{h-1} X$ as

$$L^{n-h+1}\beta = d_{k+1+n-h}L^{n-h}\alpha.$$

Notice that β is a primitive form, indeed

$$L^{n-h+2}\beta = Ld_{k+1+n-h}L^{n-h}\alpha = d_{k+2+n-h}L^{n-h+1}\alpha = 0$$

because α is primitive. Applying Λ^{n-h+1} and by using [12, Lemma 5.4], we have that there exists a nonnegative constant $c_{n-h+1,h-1}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_{n-h+1,h-1}\beta &= \Lambda^{n-h+1}L^{n-h+1}\beta \\
 &= \Lambda^{n-h+1}d_{k+1+n-h}L^{n-h}\alpha \\
 &= \Lambda^{n-h}(d_{k+n-h}\Lambda - \delta_{k+1+n-h})L^{n-h}\alpha = \dots \\
 &= (d_k\Lambda^{n-h+1} - (n-h+1)\delta_{k+1}\Lambda^{n-h})L^{n-h}\alpha \\
 &= -(n-h+1)\delta_{k+1}\Lambda^{n-h}L^{n-h}\alpha \\
 &= -(n-h+1)\delta_{k+1}c_{n-h,h}\alpha.
 \end{aligned}$$

Applying L^{n-h+1} , there exists $c \neq 0$ such that

$$cd_{k+1+n-h}L^{n-h}\alpha = cL^{n-h+1}\beta = L^{n-h+1}\delta_{k+1}\alpha.$$

By the lcs-HLC, we have that

$$L^{n-h+1}: H_{d_k}^{h-1}(X) \rightarrow H_{d_{k+n-h+1}}^{2n-h+1}(X)$$

is an isomorphism; since we have just proven that $L^{n-h+1}[\delta_{k+1}\alpha] = 0 \in H_{d_{k+n-h+1}}^{2n-h+1}(X)$, we get that

$$[\delta_{k+1}\alpha] = 0 \in H_{d_k}^{h-1}(X)$$

namely $\delta_{k+1}\alpha$ is d_k -exact concluding the proof. □

Now we are ready to proof Theorem 2.7.

Proof of Theorem 2.7. We prove that (1) implies (3). By hypothesis with $h = n$ and $k = -n$, we have the isomorphism $L^n: H_{-n}^0(X) \simeq H_0^{2n}(X)$, where clearly $H_0^{2n}(X) = H_{d_R}^{2n}(X; \mathbb{R}) \simeq \mathbb{R}$. Therefore, $H_{-n}^0(X) \neq 0$, and this cannot happen unless ϑ is exact [18], [20, Example 1.6]. To prove the last claim, we can actually argue also as follows. We can choose a generator f for $H_{-n}^0(X)$ having no zero on M , since it maps to the volume class by L^n . Therefore, $df - f\vartheta = 0$, that is, $\vartheta = d \lg f$ is exact.

The lcs-Lemma clearly implies the lcs-Hard Lefschetz condition, thanks to Theorem 2.6. Moreover, (3) clearly implies (1); and (3) implies (2) because of the results in the symplectic case, [32, Proposition 1.4], [19], [12, Theorem 5.4].

For the sake of completeness, now we give also a proof of the fact that (1) implies (2); this may possibly be useful if one needs weaker statements. Suppose that the lcs-Hard Lefschetz condition holds. By Proposition 2.9, we are reduced to prove that

$$\text{im } d_k \cap \text{im } \delta_{k+1} = \text{im } d_k \delta_{k+1}.$$

Let $\alpha^p = d_k \gamma^{p-1} = \delta_{k+1} \beta^{p+1} \in \wedge^p X$; we prove that $\alpha^p = d_k \delta_{k+1} \eta$ for some $\eta \in \wedge^p X$. We prove it by induction on the degree of the form. For $p = 0$ and $p = \dim X$, it is obvious.

For $p = \dim X - 1 =: 2n - 1$, we have $d_{k+1} \beta^{2n} = 0$ for degree reasons. Hence, by Proposition 2.8 there exists $\tilde{\beta}^{2n}$ such that $\delta_{k+1} \tilde{\beta}^{2n} = 0$ and $\beta^{2n} = \tilde{\beta}^{2n} + d_{k+1} \tau^{2n-1}$ for some τ^{2n-1} . So,

$$\alpha^{2n-1} = \delta_{k+1} \beta^{2n} = \delta_{k+1} d_{k+1} \tau^{2n-1} = d_k \delta_{k+1} (-\tau^{2n-1}).$$

Now, suppose that the thesis holds for $p = h + 2$ and we prove it for $p = h$. Let $\alpha^h = d_k \gamma^{h-1} = \delta_{k+1} \beta^{h+1}$. We set $\alpha^{h+2} := d_{k+1} \beta^{h+1}$, and we get

$$\delta_{k+1} \alpha^{h+2} = -d_k \delta_{k+1} \beta^{h+1} = 0,$$

namely $\alpha^{h+2} \in \ker \delta_{k+1} \cap \text{im } d_{k+1} = \text{im } d_{k+1} \cap \text{im } \delta_{k+2}$. Setting $\alpha^{h+2} = d_{k+1} \beta^{h+1} = \delta_{k+2} \mu^{h+3}$, by induction we have

$$\alpha^{h+2} = d_{k+1} \delta_{k+2} \nu^{h+2}.$$

Then,

$$d_{k+1} (\beta^{h+1} - \delta_{k+2} \nu^{h+2}) = 0$$

and by Proposition 2.8, there exists $\tilde{\beta}^{h+1} \in \wedge^{h+1} X$ such that

$$\delta_{k+1} \tilde{\beta}^{h+1} = d_{k+1} \tilde{\beta}^{h+1} = 0, \quad \beta^{h+1} = \tilde{\beta}^{h+1} - \delta_{k+2} \nu^{h+2} + d_{k+1} \lambda^h$$

for some $\lambda^h \in \wedge^h X$. So,

$$\alpha^h = \delta_{k+1} \beta^{h+1} = \delta_{k+1} d_{k+1} \lambda^h = d_k \delta_{k+1} (-\lambda^h)$$

namely $\alpha^h \in \text{im } d_k \delta_{k+1}$. □

Remark 2.10 Notice that if X is a compact lcs manifold with lcs form Ω d_{ϑ} -exact, then Ω^n would be d_n -exact and this is not possible if X satisfies the lcs-Hard Lefschetz condition.

2.4 Further results

Remark 2.11 (generic vanishing) Let X be a compact differentiable manifold, endowed with a closed non-exact 1-form ϑ . Consider one of the following cases:

- X is a completely solvable solvmanifold [33, Theorem 4.5],
- or, more in general, X is any compact differentiable manifold and ϑ is nonzero and parallel with respect to the Levi Civita connection associated with some fixed metric [30, Theorem 4.5],
- or, more in general, if ϑ is nowhere-vanishing [41, Theorem 1], see also [39, Exercise 4.5.5].

Then, we know that $H_{d_k}^{\bullet}(X) = 0$ except for a finite number of $k \in \mathbb{R}$. It follows that if Ω is a lcs structure on X with Lee form ϑ , then also $H_{\delta_k}^{\bullet}(X) = 0$, $H_{d_k + \delta_k}^{\bullet}(X) = 0$, and $H_{\delta_k d_k}^{\bullet}(X) = 0$ except for a finite number of $k \in \mathbb{R}$. (This follows by symmetries, see Proposition 2.3 and

Theorem 2.4, and by [5, Theorem 6.2], which can be rewritten in the general context of \mathbb{Z} -graded bi-differential vector spaces.)

In general, there is no generic vanishing, since the Euler characteristic of the Morse–Novikov complex coincides with the Euler characteristic of the manifold, as a consequence of the Atiyah–Singer index theorem, see [8].

3 Twisted cohomologies of solvmanifolds

Recall that a *solvmanifold* $X = \Gamma \backslash G$ (respectively, *nilmanifold*) is a compact quotient of a connected simply connected solvable G (respectively, nilpotent) Lie group by a co-compact discrete subgroup Γ . In this section, we provide conditions on X that allow to reduce the computation of the lcs cohomologies at the level of the associated Lie algebra, reducing the problem to a linear problem. We can apply these results on explicit examples in the next section.

3.1 Hattori theorem for completely solvable solvmanifolds

A solvmanifold is said to be *completely solvable* if the eigenvalues of the endomorphisms given by the adjoint representation of the corresponding Lie algebra are all real. (In particular, note that nilmanifolds are completely solvable solvmanifolds.) In this case, the subcomplex of invariant forms inside the complex of forms induces an isomorphisms in de Rham cohomology, in fact, in Morse–Novikov cohomology too [22, Corollary 4.2]. Here, by *invariant*, we mean that the lift to the Lie group is invariant with respect to the action of the group on itself given by left-translations. In particular, it follows that, up to global conformal changes, we can assume that the Lee forms are invariant.

The Hattori result holds in fact for lcs cohomologies.

Lemma 3.1 *Let $X = \Gamma \backslash G$ be a completely solvable solvmanifold endowed with an invariant lcs structure. Then, the inclusion of invariant forms into the space of forms induces isomorphisms at the level of lcs cohomologies.*

Proof Since both the lcs structure Ω and the Lee form ϑ are invariant, then the operators d_k and δ_k preserve the space of invariant forms. Left-translations induce maps

$$H_{\sharp_k}^\bullet(\mathfrak{g}^*) \rightarrow H_{\sharp_k}^\bullet(X),$$

varying $\sharp_k \in \{d_k, \delta_k, d_k + \delta_k, \delta_k d_k\}$, for every $k \in \mathbb{Z}$; where $H_{\sharp_k}^\bullet(\mathfrak{g}^*)$ denotes the cohomology of the corresponding bi-differential complex at the level of the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} of G , equivalently, of the space of invariant forms. The above maps are injective, as a consequence of elliptic Hodge theory in Proposition 2.2, with respect to an invariant metric compatible with the lcs structure: see the argument in [13, Lemma 9]. In fact, by [22], under the assumption that G is completely solvable, the map

$$H_{d_k}^\bullet(\mathfrak{g}^*) \rightarrow H_{d_k}^\bullet(X)$$

is an isomorphism. Note that the lcs structure being invariant, the Poincaré isomorphism in Proposition 2.3 is compatible with the inclusion of invariant forms. Then, also the map

$$H_{\delta_k}^\bullet(\mathfrak{g}^*) \rightarrow H_{\delta_k}^\bullet(X)$$

is an isomorphism. Finally, the fact that the maps

$$H_{d_k + \delta_k}^\bullet(\mathfrak{g}^*) \rightarrow H_{d_k + \delta_k}^\bullet(X) \quad \text{and} \quad H_{\delta_k d_k}^\bullet(\mathfrak{g}^*) \rightarrow H_{\delta_k d_k}^\bullet(X)$$

are isomorphisms can be deduced from the above isomorphisms for H_{d_k} and H_{δ_k} , see the general argument in [1, Theorem 2.7] as adapted to the \mathbb{Z} -graded context in [3, Corollary 1.3], and by Poincaré duality in Theorem 2.4. \square

3.2 Mostow condition for solvmanifolds

Consider a solvmanifold $X = \Gamma \backslash G$, and let \mathfrak{g} be its associated Lie algebra. The isomorphism $H_d^\bullet(\mathfrak{g}^*) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_d^\bullet(\Gamma \backslash G)$ holds also under the *Mostow condition* that $\text{Ad}(\Gamma)$ and $\text{Ad}(G)$ have the same Zariski closure in $\text{GL}(\mathfrak{g})$ (where we understand by $\text{GL}(\mathfrak{g})$ the group consisting solely of the linear isomorphisms of \mathfrak{g}) [34, Corollary 8.1]. In fact, Mostow considers cohomology $H^\bullet(\Gamma \backslash G; \rho)$ with ρ a representation of G in a vector space F , assuming that Γ is ρ -ample [34, Section 6] (say, ρ is Γ -admissible in the notation of [42, Definition 7.24].) This means that $\rho \oplus \text{Ad}$, as a representation of G in $F \oplus \mathfrak{g}$, satisfy that $\overline{(\rho \oplus \text{Ad})(\Gamma)} = \overline{(\rho \oplus \text{Ad})(G)}$, where the closure is with respect to the Zariski topology. In this case, one has that the restriction morphism $H^\bullet(\mathfrak{g}; \rho) \simeq H^\bullet(G; \rho) \rightarrow H^\bullet(\Gamma; \rho)$ is an isomorphism, [34, Theorem 8.1], see also [42, Theorem 7.26]. In particular, the assumption holds: when ρ is a unipotent representation of a nilpotent Lie group G ; when G satisfies the Mostow condition $\text{Ad}(\Gamma) = \text{Ad}(G)$ and ρ is trivial; see [34, Theorem 8.2]. As explicit application, we write down as the result applies to Morse–Novikov cohomologies.

Proposition 3.2 *Consider a solvmanifold satisfying the Mostow condition. Then, the inclusion of invariant forms into the space of forms induces isomorphisms at the level of Morse–Novikov cohomology with respect to any invariant Lee form. Moreover, if X is endowed with an invariant lcs structure, then the same holds true at the level of lcs cohomologies.*

Proof Let $X = \Gamma \backslash G$ be a solvmanifold such that the Mostow condition holds. Denote by \mathfrak{g} its Lie algebra. Let ϑ be an invariant closed 1-form. In the case ϑ is exact, we are reduced to the Mostow theorem [34, Corollary 8.1]; hence, assume ϑ is not exact. We want to prove that the natural map $H_\vartheta^\bullet(\mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow H_\vartheta^\bullet(X)$ is an isomorphism. Let $\pi^*\vartheta =: \tilde{\vartheta}$ be the d -exact invariant 1-form on G that lifts ϑ , where $\pi: G \rightarrow X$. Consider

$$\rho: G \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad \rho(g)(r) := \exp\left(\int_e^g \tilde{\vartheta}\right) \cdot r,$$

where \int_e^g is the integral over any path in G connecting the identity e to the element g ; recall that G is simply connected. Since $\tilde{\vartheta}$ is invariant under left-translations, ρ is a representation of G in \mathbb{R} . When restricted to $\Gamma = \pi_1(X)$, which is isomorphic to the deck group of the cover $\pi: G \rightarrow X$, it is equivalent to the representation

$$\chi: \pi_1(X) \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad \chi([\gamma])(r) := \exp\left(\int_\gamma \vartheta\right) \cdot r.$$

Therefore

$$H_\vartheta^\bullet(X) \simeq H^\bullet(X; L_\chi) \simeq H^\bullet(X; L_\rho) \simeq H^\bullet(\Gamma; \rho),$$

where L_ρ denotes the flat real line bundle associated with the representation ρ , and where the last isomorphism follows from [42, Lemma 7.4] since G is contractible. Then, we are reduced to prove that χ is Γ -supported, that is $\overline{\chi(\Gamma)} = \overline{\chi(G)}$, where overline denotes the Zariski closure in $\text{Aut}_{\mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{R}^\times$: the statements then follows by [34, Theorem 8.1]. Here, the topology in \mathbb{R}^\times is the one induced by \mathbb{R}^2 where \mathbb{R}^\times is seen as a Zariski closed set.

Note that $\chi(\Gamma)$ is identified with a subgroup of the torsion-free group $(\mathbb{R}_{>0}, \cdot)$, and hence it is either trivial or infinite. However, if it were trivial, the periods $\int_\gamma \vartheta$ would vanish for all $\gamma \in H_1(X)$, meaning that ϑ is exact, which is not the case. So $\chi(\Gamma)$ is infinite. Then, $\overline{\chi(\Gamma)} = \mathbb{R}^\times$, whence also $\overline{\chi(G)} = \mathbb{R}^\times$.

The last statement follows as in Lemma 3.1. □

4 Examples

In this section, we discuss some examples.

4.1 Kodaira–Thurston surface

As an example, we consider the Kodaira–Thurston surface X [26,46]. Recall that a (primary) Kodaira surface is a compact complex surface with Kodaira dimension 0, first Betti number odd and trivial canonical bundle. It admits both complex and symplectic structures, but it has no Kähler structure [46]. It is a homogeneous manifold of nilpotent Lie group, [21, Theorem 1]. More precisely, the connected simply connected covering Lie group is the product of the real three dimension Heisenberg group and the real 1-dimensional torus. Denote its Lie algebra by $\mathfrak{th}_3 = \mathfrak{g}_{3,1} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1$.

We choose a co-frame of invariant 1-forms $\{e^1, e^2, e^3, e^4\}$ with structure equations

$$de^1 = 0, \quad de^2 = 0, \quad de^3 = e^1 \wedge e^2, \quad de^4 = 0.$$

The almost-symplectic form

$$\Omega := e^1 \wedge e^2 + e^3 \wedge e^4 \tag{4.1}$$

is a locally conformally symplectic structure with Lee form

$$\vartheta := e^4.$$

In fact, $\Omega = d_\vartheta(e^3)$ is d_ϑ -exact. Up to equivalence, this is the only lcs structure on the Lie algebra \mathfrak{th}_3 , see [2]. It admits a compatible complex structure J ; more precisely, consider the almost-Kähler structure

$$Je^1 := e^2, \quad Je^3 := e^4 \quad \text{and} \quad g = \sum_{j=1}^4 e^j \odot e^j.$$

Thanks to Lemma 3.1, we can compute the lcs cohomologies of the Kodaira–Thurston surface. (As a matter of notation, we have shortened, e.g. $e^{124} := e^1 \wedge e^2 \wedge e^4$. Computations have been performed with the help of Sage [44].)

Proposition 4.1 *The lcs cohomologies of the Kodaira–Thurston surface endowed with the lcs structure in (4.1) are summarized in Table 1 and Table 2*

4.2 Lie algebra \mathfrak{d}_4

As a further example, we study the Lie algebra $\mathfrak{d}_4 = \mathfrak{g}_{4,8}^{-1}$, that is, the Lie algebra associated with the Inoue surface of type S^+ [23]. It is completely solvable. It has structure equations $(14, -24, 12, 0)$, namely there exists a basis $\{e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4\}$ such that the dual basis $\{e^1, e^2, e^3, e^4\}$ satisfies

$$de^1 = e^1 \wedge e^4, \quad de^2 = -e^2 \wedge e^4, \quad de^3 = -e^1 \wedge e^2, \quad de^4 = 0.$$

Table 1 The lcs cohomologies of the Kodaira–Thurston surface

$H_{\pm k}^h$	$k = -2$	$k = -1$	$k = 0$	$k = 1$	$k = 2$
$h = 0$					
$H_{d_k}^0$	–	–	$\langle 1 \rangle$	–	–
$H_{\delta_k}^0$	$\langle 1 \rangle$	–	–	–	–
$H_{d_k + \delta_k}^0$	–	–	$\langle 1 \rangle$	–	–
$H_{\delta_k d_k}^0$	$\langle 1 \rangle$	–	–	–	–
$h = 1$					
$H_{d_k}^1$	–	–	$\langle e^1, e^2, e^4 \rangle$	–	–
$H_{\delta_k}^1$	–	$\langle e^1, e^2, e^3 \rangle$	–	–	–
$H_{d_k + \delta_k}^1$	$\langle e^4 \rangle$	–	$\langle e^1, e^2, e^4 \rangle$	–	–
$H_{\delta_k d_k}^1$	–	$\langle e^1, e^2, e^3 \rangle$	–	$\langle e^3 \rangle$	–
$h = 2$					
$H_{d_k}^2$	–	–	$\langle e^{13}, e^{14}, e^{23}, e^{24} \rangle$	–	–
$H_{\delta_k}^2$	–	–	$\langle e^{13}, e^{14}, e^{23}, e^{24} \rangle$	–	–
$H_{d_k + \delta_k}^2$	–	$\langle e^{14}, e^{24}, e^{12} - e^{34} \rangle$	$\langle e^{13}, e^{14}, e^{23}, e^{24} \rangle$	$\langle e^{12} + e^{34} \rangle$	–
$H_{\delta_k d_k}^2$	–	$\langle e^{12} + e^{34} \rangle$	$\langle e^{13}, e^{14}, e^{23}, e^{24} \rangle$	$\langle e^{13}, e^{23}, e^{12} - e^{34} \rangle$	–
$h = 3$					
$H_{d_k}^3$	–	–	$\langle e^{123}, e^{134}, e^{234} \rangle$	–	–
$H_{\delta_k}^3$	–	–	–	$\langle e^{124}, e^{134}, e^{234} \rangle$	–
$H_{d_k + \delta_k}^3$	–	$\langle e^{124} \rangle$	–	$\langle e^{124}, e^{134}, e^{234} \rangle$	–
$H_{\delta_k d_k}^3$	–	–	$\langle e^{123}, e^{134}, e^{234} \rangle$	–	$\langle e^{123} \rangle$
$h = 4$					
$H_{d_k}^4$	–	–	$\langle e^{1234} \rangle$	–	–
$H_{\delta_k}^4$	–	–	–	–	$\langle e^{1234} \rangle$
$H_{d_k + \delta_k}^4$	–	–	–	–	$\langle e^{1234} \rangle$
$H_{\delta_k d_k}^4$	–	–	$\langle e^{1234} \rangle$	–	–

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Consider the lcs structure

$$\Omega := e^1 \wedge e^2 + e^3 \wedge e^4 \quad \text{with Lee form } \vartheta := -e^4.$$

In fact, $\Omega = d_\vartheta(-e^3)$.

The results for the lcs cohomologies are summarized in Tables 3 and 4.

4.3 Inoue surfaces S^0

We prove here that the Inoue surfaces of type S^0 satisfy the Mostow condition, and then Proposition 3.2 applies for them. This is in accord with the results in [40] by the second-

Table 2 Summary of the dimensions of the lcs cohomologies of the Kodaira–Thurston surface

$\dim H_{\#k}^h$	$k = -2$	$k = -1$	$k = 0$	$k = 1$	$k = 2$
$h = 0$					
$H_{d_k}^0$	–	–	1	–	–
$H_{\delta_k}^0$	1	–	–	–	–
$H_{d_k+\delta_k}^0$	–	–	1	–	–
$H_{\delta_k d_k}^0$	1	–	–	–	–
$h = 1$					
$H_{d_k}^1$	–	–	3	–	–
$H_{\delta_k}^1$	–	3	–	–	–
$H_{d_k+\delta_k}^1$	1	–	3	–	–
$H_{\delta_k d_k}^1$	–	3	–	1	–
$h = 2$					
$H_{d_k}^2$	–	–	4	–	–
$H_{\delta_k}^2$	–	–	4	–	–
$H_{d_k+\delta_k}^2$	–	3	4	1	–
$H_{\delta_k d_k}^2$	–	1	4	3	–
$h = 3$					
$H_{d_k}^3$	–	–	3	–	–
$H_{\delta_k}^3$	–	–	–	3	–
$H_{d_k+\delta_k}^3$	–	1	–	3	–
$H_{\delta_k d_k}^3$	–	–	3	–	1
$h = 4$					
$H_{d_k}^4$	–	–	1	–	–
$H_{\delta_k}^4$	–	–	–	–	1
$H_{d_k+\delta_k}^4$	–	–	–	–	1
$H_{\delta_k d_k}^4$	–	–	1	–	–

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named author. Since the Inoue surfaces of type S^\pm are completely solvable, the Hattori theorem [22, Corollary 4.2] applies.

Proposition 4.2 *Inoue surfaces of type S^0 satisfy the Mostow condition.*

Proof Let $S^0 := S_A^0$ be the Inoue surface associated with the matrix $A \in \text{SL}(3; \mathbb{Z})$ with eigenvalues $\alpha > 1, \beta, \bar{\beta}$, where $\beta \notin \mathbb{R}$. Recall that $\alpha \notin \mathbb{Q}$, otherwise $|\alpha| = 1$ since $\det A = 1$.

We first claim that Gorbatsevich criterion [17, Theorem 4] for Inoue surfaces reads as follows: S^0 satisfies the Mostow condition if and only if there is no $q \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that

$$\beta = \alpha^{-1/2} \exp(\sqrt{-1}q\pi). \tag{4.2}$$

Recall that Gorbatsevich criterion applies to quotients of almost-Abelian Lie groups $G = \mathbb{R} \ltimes_\varphi \mathbb{R}^n$ by lattices $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z} \ltimes_\varphi \mathbb{Z}^n$, where $\varphi(t) = \exp(tZ)$. Let t_0 be a generator of \mathbb{Z} in Γ .

Table 3 The lcs cohomologies of the Inoue surface of type S^+

$H_{\mathbb{R}^k}^h$	$k = -2$	$k = -1$	$k = 0$	$k = 1$	$k = 2$
$h = 0$					
$H_{d_k}^0$	–	–	$\langle 1 \rangle$	–	–
$H_{\delta_k}^0$	$\langle 1 \rangle$	–	–	–	–
$H_{d_k + \delta_k}^0$	–	–	$\langle 1 \rangle$	–	–
$H_{\delta_k d_k}^0$	$\langle 1 \rangle$	–	–	–	–
$h = 1$					
$H_{d_k}^1$	–	$\langle e^2 \rangle$	$\langle e^4 \rangle$	$\langle e^1 \rangle$	–
$H_{\delta_k}^1$	$\langle e^2 \rangle$	$\langle e^3 \rangle$	$\langle e^1 \rangle$	–	–
$H_{d_k + \delta_k}^1$	$\langle e^4 \rangle$	$\langle e^2 \rangle$	$\langle e^4 \rangle$	$\langle e^1 \rangle$	–
$H_{\delta_k d_k}^1$	$\langle e^2 \rangle$	$\langle e^3 \rangle$	$\langle e^1 \rangle$	$\langle e^3 \rangle$	–
$h = 2$					
$H_{d_k}^2$	–	$\langle e^{23}, e^{24} \rangle$	–	$\langle e^{13}, e^{14} \rangle$	–
$H_{\delta_k}^2$	–	$\langle e^{23}, e^{24} \rangle$	–	$\langle e^{13}, e^{14} \rangle$	–
$H_{d_k + \delta_k}^2$	$\langle e^{24} \rangle$	$\langle e^{23}, e^{24}, e^{12} - e^{34} \rangle$	$\langle e^{14} \rangle$	$\langle e^{13}, e^{14}, e^{12} + e^{34} \rangle$	–
$H_{\delta_k d_k}^2$	–	$\langle e^{23}, e^{24}, e^{12} + e^{34} \rangle$	$\langle e^{23} \rangle$	$\langle e^{13}, e^{14}, e^{12} - e^{34} \rangle$	$\langle e^{13} \rangle$
$h = 3$					
$H_{d_k}^3$	–	$\langle e^{234} \rangle$	$\langle e^{123} \rangle$	$\langle e^{134} \rangle$	–
$H_{\delta_k}^3$	–	–	$\langle e^{234} \rangle$	$\langle e^{124} \rangle$	$\langle e^{134} \rangle$
$H_{d_k + \delta_k}^3$	–	$\langle e^{124} \rangle$	$\langle e^{234} \rangle$	$\langle e^{124} \rangle$	$\langle e^{134} \rangle$
$H_{\delta_k d_k}^3$	–	$\langle e^{234} \rangle$	$\langle e^{123} \rangle$	$\langle e^{134} \rangle$	$\langle e^{123} \rangle$
$h = 4$					
$H_{d_k}^4$	–	–	$\langle e^{1234} \rangle$	–	–
$H_{\delta_k}^4$	–	–	–	–	$\langle e^{1234} \rangle$
$H_{d_k + \delta_k}^4$	–	–	–	–	$\langle e^{1234} \rangle$
$H_{\delta_k d_k}^4$	–	–	$\langle e^{1234} \rangle$	–	–

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Then, [17, Theorem 4] states that $\Gamma \backslash G$ satisfies the Mostow condition if and only if $\sqrt{-1}\pi$ is not a linear combination with rational coefficients of the elements in the spectrum of $t_0 Z$.

In our case, we look at $S^0 = \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^3 \backslash \mathbb{R} \times (\mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{R})$, where the action is

$$\mathbb{R} \times (\mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{R}) \ni (t, (z, r)) \mapsto (\beta^t \cdot z, \alpha^t \cdot r) \in \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{R}.$$

Here, \mathbb{Z}^3 is the lattice generated by the eigenvectors of A . Then, we have

$$\varphi(1) = \begin{pmatrix} \operatorname{Re} \beta & \operatorname{Im} \beta & 0 \\ -\operatorname{Im} \beta & \operatorname{Re} \beta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha \end{pmatrix}.$$

Table 4 Summary of the dimensions of the lcs cohomologies of the Inoue surface of type S^+

$\dim H_{\#k}^h$	$k = -2$	$k = -1$	$k = 0$	$k = 1$	$k = 2$
$h = 0$					
$H_{d_k}^0$	–	–	1	–	–
$H_{\delta_k}^0$	1	–	–	–	–
$H_{d_k+\delta_k}^0$	–	–	1	–	–
$H_{\delta_k d_k}^0$	1	–	–	–	–
$h = 1$					
$H_{d_k}^1$	–	1	1	1	–
$H_{\delta_k}^1$	1	1	1	–	–
$H_{d_k+\delta_k}^1$	1	1	1	1	–
$H_{\delta_k d_k}^1$	1	1	1	1	–
$h = 2$					
$H_{d_k}^2$	–	2	–	2	–
$H_{\delta_k}^2$	–	2	–	2	–
$H_{d_k+\delta_k}^2$	1	3	1	3	–
$H_{\delta_k d_k}^2$	–	3	1	3	1
$h = 3$					
$H_{d_k}^3$	–	1	1	1	–
$H_{\delta_k}^3$	–	–	1	1	1
$H_{d_k+\delta_k}^3$	–	1	1	1	1
$H_{\delta_k d_k}^3$	–	1	1	1	1
$h = 4$					
$H_{d_k}^4$	–	–	1	–	–
$H_{\delta_k}^4$	–	–	–	–	1
$H_{d_k+\delta_k}^4$	–	–	–	–	1
$H_{\delta_k d_k}^4$	–	–	1	–	–

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Since $\det A = \alpha|\beta|^2 = 1$, we have that

$$\beta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha}} \exp(\sqrt{-1}s)$$

for some $s \in \mathbb{R}$. Then, we can take

$$Z = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{\lg \alpha}{2} & s & 0 \\ -s & -\frac{\lg \alpha}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lg \alpha \end{pmatrix}.$$

The eigenvalues of Z are:

$$\lg \alpha, \quad -\frac{\lg \alpha}{2} + \sqrt{-1}s, \quad -\frac{\lg \alpha}{2} - \sqrt{-1}s.$$

Then, $\sqrt{-1}\pi$ is a linear combination with rational coefficients of the elements in the spectrum of Z if and only if there exist $x, y, z \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that

$$x - \frac{1}{2}y - \frac{1}{2}z = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad (y - z)s = \pi,$$

namely, if and only if there exists $q \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that

$$s = q\pi,$$

proving the claim.

We now prove that (4.2) does not hold, for any $q \in \mathbb{Q}$. On the contrary, assume that $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ satisfy

$$\beta = \alpha^{-1/2} \exp\left(\sqrt{-1}\frac{m}{n}\pi\right).$$

In particular, $\beta^{2n} = \bar{\beta}^{2n} = \alpha^{-n}$. By considering the characteristic polynomial of A , that is $x^3 - ax^2 + bx - 1$, where $a = \alpha + \beta + \bar{\beta} \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $b = \alpha\beta + \alpha\bar{\beta} + |\beta|^2 \in \mathbb{Z}$, we get that $\beta^3 = a\beta^2 - b\beta + 1$. By induction, for any $k \in \mathbb{N}, k \geq 3$:

$$\beta^k = x_k\beta^2 + y_k\beta + z_k$$

where

$$x_{k+1} = ax_k + y_k, \quad y_{k+1} = z_k - x_k b, \quad z_{k+1} = x_k,$$

with the base condition:

$$x_3 = a, \quad y_3 = -b, \quad z_3 = 1.$$

Using that $\beta \neq \bar{\beta}$, equation $\beta^{2n} = \bar{\beta}^{2n}$ now reads as

$$x_{2n}(\beta + \bar{\beta}) + y_{2n} = 0.$$

Using that $a - \alpha = \beta + \bar{\beta}$, we get

$$ax_{2n} + y_{2n} = x_{2n}\alpha,$$

where the left-hand side is $x_{2n+1} \in \mathbb{Z}$ and the right-hand side is the product of $x_{2n} \in \mathbb{Z}$ and of $\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$. Hence, we get that $x_{2n} = y_{2n} = 0$, and then $\beta^{2n} = \bar{\beta}^{2n} = \alpha^{-n} = z_{2n} \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Consider now the polynomial $x^{2n} - z_{2n} \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$, and its division by the characteristic polynomial of A in $\mathbb{Q}[x]$:

$$x^{2n} - z_{2n} = Q(x) \cdot (x^3 - ax^2 + bx - 1) + R(x),$$

where $Q(x) \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$ and $R(x) \in \mathbb{Q}_{\leq 2}[x]$. If $R(x)$ had positive degree, then $R(\beta) = R(\bar{\beta}) = 0$ would imply $\beta + \bar{\beta} \in \mathbb{Q}$, which is not true since $\beta + \bar{\beta} = a - \alpha$ with α irrational. Then, $R(x) = 0$. It follows that $\alpha^{2n} = z_{2n}$, too. But this is a contradiction with $\alpha^{-n} = z_{2n}$, since $\alpha > 1$. □

4.4 Oeljeklaus–Toma manifolds with precisely one complex place

We now extend the above results to Oeljeklaus–Toma manifolds [38] with precisely one complex place and s real place. Note that this is the case when the existence of lcK metrics is known, [38, Proposition 2.9], see also [49, Theorem 3.1]. In case $s = 1$, we recover any Inoue surfaces S_A^0 of type S^0 by taking $K = \mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$ and $U = \mathcal{O}_K^{*,+}$ generated by α , the real eigenvalue of the matrix $A \in \text{SL}(3; \mathbb{Z})$.

We briefly recall their construction (see [38]) and their structure as solvmanifolds (see [24, Section 6]).

Let K be an algebraic number field. Consider the $n = s + 2t$ embeddings of the field K in \mathbb{C} : more precisely, the s real embeddings $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_s: K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, and the $2t$ complex embeddings $\sigma_{s+1}, \dots, \sigma_{s+t}, \sigma_{s+t+1} = \bar{\sigma}_{s+1}, \dots, \sigma_{s+2t} = \bar{\sigma}_{s+t}: K \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. Denote by \mathcal{O}_K the ring of algebraic integers of K , and by $\mathcal{O}_K^{*,+}$ the group of totally positive units. Let $\mathbb{H} := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Im } z > 0\}$ denote the upper half-plane. On $\mathbb{H}^s \times \mathbb{C}^t$, consider the action $\mathcal{O}_K \circ \mathbb{H}^s \times \mathbb{C}^t$ given by translations,

$$T_a(w_1, \dots, w_s, z_{s+1}, \dots, z_{s+t}) := (w_1 + \sigma_1(a), \dots, z_{s+t} + \sigma_{s+t}(a)),$$

and the action $\mathcal{O}_K^{*,+} \circ \mathbb{H}^s \times \mathbb{C}^t$ given by rotations,

$$R_u(w_1, \dots, w_s, z_{s+1}, \dots, z_{s+t}) := (w_1 \cdot \sigma_1(u), \dots, z_{s+t} \cdot \sigma_{s+t}(u)).$$

Oeljeklaus and Toma proved in [38, page 162] that there always exists a subgroup $U \subset \mathcal{O}_K^{*,+}$ such that the action $\mathcal{O}_K \rtimes U \circ \mathbb{H}^s \times \mathbb{C}^t$ is fixed-point-free, properly discontinuous, and co-compact. The *Oeljeklaus–Toma manifold* (say, OT manifold) associated with the algebraic number field K and with the admissible subgroup U of $\mathcal{O}_K^{*,+}$ is

$$X(K, U) := \mathbb{H}^s \times \mathbb{C}^t / \mathcal{O}_K \rtimes U.$$

Moreover, $X(K, U)$ is called *of simple type* if there is no intermediate extension $\mathbb{Q} \subset K' \subset K$ such that U is compatible with K' , too.

Oeljeklaus–Toma manifolds are in fact solvmanifolds, see [24, Section 6]. More precisely, consider the map

$$\begin{aligned} \ell: \mathcal{O}_K^{*,+} &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{s+t}, \\ \ell(u) &= (\text{lg } \sigma_1(u), \dots, \text{lg } \sigma_s(u), 2 \text{lg } |\sigma_{s+1}(u)|, \dots, 2 \text{lg } |\sigma_{s+t}(u)|). \end{aligned}$$

The rank s subgroup U is such that its projection on the first s coordinates is a lattice in \mathbb{R}^s . Consider the basis for the subspace \mathbb{R}^s in \mathbb{R}^{s+t} :

$$\langle (1, 0, \dots, 0, b_{11}, \dots, b_{1t}), \dots, (0, 0, \dots, 1, b_{s1}, \dots, b_{st}) \rangle. \tag{4.3}$$

Note that since $\prod_{j=1}^{s+t} \sigma_j(u) = 1$ being equal to the product of the roots of the minimal polynomial of the unit u , then for any

$$\ell(u) = \left(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_s, \sum_{j=1}^s b_{j1} \xi_j, \dots, \sum_{j=1}^s b_{jt} \xi_j \right)$$

we have $\sum_{k=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^s b_{jk} \xi_j = -\sum_{j=1}^s \xi_j$; then, for any $j \in \{1, \dots, s\}$,

$$\sum_{k=1}^t b_{jk} = -1.$$

Note in particular that if $t = 1$, then any $b_{j1} = -1$. Moreover, by definition, $2 \text{lg } |\sigma_{s+k}(u)| = \sum_{j=1}^s b_{jk} \xi_j$. Set $c_{jk} \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$\sigma_{s+k}(u) = \exp \left(\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^s b_{jk} \xi_j + \sqrt{-1} \sum_{j=1}^s c_{jk} \xi_j \right).$$

Hereafter, we forget the superscript h . The spectrum of B is:

$$\left\{ t_1, \dots, t_s, -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^s t_j + \sqrt{-1} \sum_{j=1}^s c_j t_j, -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^s t_j - \sqrt{-1} \sum_{j=1}^s c_j t_j \right\}.$$

Let us assume that there exist $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_s, \eta_1, \eta_2 \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{-1}\pi &= \sum_{h=1}^s \lambda_h t_h + \eta_1 \left(-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^s t_j + \sqrt{-1} \sum_{j=1}^s c_j t_j \right) \\ &\quad + \eta_2 \left(-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^s t_j - \sqrt{-1} \sum_{j=1}^s c_j t_j \right). \end{aligned}$$

Equivalently,

$$\begin{cases} \sum_{h=1}^s \lambda_h t_h - \frac{1}{2} \eta_1 \sum_{j=1}^s t_j - \frac{1}{2} \eta_2 \sum_{j=1}^s t_j = 0 \\ (\eta_1 - \eta_2) \sum_{j=1}^s c_j t_j = \pi \end{cases}$$

which yields in particular that the argument of the complex number $\sigma_{s+1}(u_h)$ is $\sum_{j=1}^s c_j t_j^h = q\pi$ for $q \in \mathbb{Q}$. We are reduced to show that this is not possible.

We first claim that *under the assumption that there is no intermediate totally real field* $\mathbb{Q} \subset T \subset K$, then $K = \mathbb{Q}(u_h)$, for any $h \in \{1, \dots, s\}$. Indeed, we first notice that $\sigma_{s+1}(u_h) \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$: otherwise, if $u_h \in \mathbb{R}$, then $\mathbb{Q}(u_h)$ would be a totally real intermediate extension, so $u_h \in \mathbb{Q}$ would be a positive unit; by U being admissible, this is not possible. Recall that the characteristic polynomial f_{u_h} of u_h is a power of the minimal polynomial μ_{u_h} of u_h , say $f_{u_h} = \mu_{u_h}^k$ for $k \in \mathbb{N}$ (see Proposition 2.6 in [35]). On the other hand, $f_{u_h}(X) = \prod_{j=1}^s (X - \sigma_j(u_h)) \cdot (X - \sigma_{s+1}(u_h)) \cdot (X - \overline{\sigma_{s+1}(u_h)})$ has exactly two complex non-real conjugate roots. Then, necessarily $k = 1$, that is, $f_{u_h} = \mu_{u_h}$. In particular, $[\mathbb{Q}(u_h) : \mathbb{Q}] = \deg \mu_{u_h} = [K : \mathbb{Q}]$, so $K = \mathbb{Q}(u_h)$.

Denote $\alpha_1 := \sigma_1(u_h), \dots, \alpha_h := \sigma_s(u_h), \beta := \sigma_{s+1}(u_h)$, namely the roots of the minimal polynomial $\mu_{u_h} \in \mathbb{Z}[X]$ of u_h . Assume that β has argument given by a rational multiple of π , say, $q\pi$ with $q \in \mathbb{Q}$. Then, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\beta^N = \bar{\beta}^N$. Since β is the root of the monic polynomial $\mu_{u_h} \in \mathbb{Z}[X]$ of degree $s + 2$, there exist $x_0, \dots, x_{s+1} \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that

$$\beta^N = x_{s+1}\beta^{s+1} + x_s\beta^s + \dots + x_1\beta + x_0.$$

Set

$$x := x_{s+1}\beta^{s+1} + x_s\beta^s + \dots + x_1\beta \in \mathbb{R},$$

such that $\beta^N = \bar{\beta}^N = x + x_0$. In fact, $x \in \mathbb{Q}$. Indeed, if $x \notin \mathbb{Q}$, since $\beta \notin \mathbb{R}$, then $\mathbb{Q}(x)$ would be an intermediate totally real extension $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}(x) \subseteq K = \mathbb{Q}(\beta)$, and it is not possible under the assumption. Consider the polynomial

$$X^N - (x + x_0) \in \mathbb{Q}[X].$$

Let $Q(X), R(X) \in \mathbb{Q}[X]$ be such that

$$X^N - (x + x_0) = Q(X) \cdot \mu_{u_h}(X) + R(X)$$

with $\deg R(X) < s + 2$. One has that $R(\beta) = R(\bar{\beta}) = 0$; then $\mu_{u_h}(X)$ divides $R(X)$, with $\deg \mu_{u_h}(X) < \deg R(X)$; then $R(X) = 0$. It follows that any α_j is a root of $X^N - (x + x_0)$,

that is, $\alpha_1^N = \dots = \alpha_s^N = \beta^N = \bar{\beta}^N$. On the other side, recall that $\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_s |\beta|^2 = 1$. It follows that

$$(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_s)^N = (\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_s)^{-\frac{Ns}{2}}.$$

The α_j s being real, this yields

$$|\beta|^2 = \frac{1}{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_s} = 1,$$

that is, $\beta = \exp(\sqrt{-1}q\pi)$. This says that actually $\beta^N = 1$, so any α_j would be a real root of $X^N - 1$. But this is not possible, since the α_j s are irrational numbers. \square

Remark 4.4 Note in particular that the assumption $s + 2$ prime assures that there is no intermediate extension, and so in particular no intermediate totally real extension as required in Theorem 4.3.

Moreover, we show now an explicit example of an Oeljeklaus–Toma manifold $X(K, U)$ of type $(2, 1)$ which satisfies the technical condition in Theorem 4.3.

Let $f(X) = X^4 - X - 1 \in \mathbb{Z}[X]$; it is irreducible, since its reduction modulo $p = 2$ prime, that is, $X^4 - X - 1 \in \mathbb{Z}_2[X]$, is irreducible in $\mathbb{Z}_2[X]$.

Claim 1: f has two real roots and two complex (conjugate) roots.

Indeed, by Darboux theorem, there is a real root between -1 and 0 , so there are at least two real roots. Let x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 be the roots of f . By Viette’s relations, we have $\sum x_i^2 = (\sum x_i)^2 - 2(\sum_{i \neq j} x_i x_j) = 0$. If all of them were real, then, for all j , it holds $x_j = 0$. However, 0 is not a root of f . So, two of the roots are real and the other are complex.

Let α be one of the real roots of f . Take the algebraic number field $K := \mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$. Then, $\mathbb{Q} \subset K$ is an extension of degree 4, and $X(K, \mathcal{O}_K^{*,+})$ defines an OT manifold of type $(2, 1)$.

Claim 2: $\text{Gal}(f) \simeq S_4$.

Indeed, let \mathbb{Q}_f denote the splitting field of f (i.e. the smallest field that contains all the roots of f). Note that $\mathbb{Q}_f \neq K$, since \mathbb{Q}_f contains also complex numbers (namely the complex roots of f). We recall that $\text{Gal}(f) := \{f: \mathbb{Q}_f \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_f : f(q) = q, \forall q \in \mathbb{Q}\}$. In [43, Theorem 7.5.4], $\text{Gal}(f)$ is explicited for any quartic polynomial f . The resolvent of f is the cubic polynomial $q(X) = X^3 + 4X + 1$. As this is an irreducible polynomial over $\mathbb{Q}[X]$ and its discriminant $\Delta = -283$ satisfies $\sqrt{\Delta} \notin \mathbb{Q}$, according to the cited theorem, we have $\text{Gal}(f) \simeq S_4$.

Claim 3: There is no intermediate field $\mathbb{Q} \subset T \subset K$.

Indeed, let us assume that there exists an intermediate field $\mathbb{Q} \subset T \subset K$. Then, we have: $\mathbb{Q} \subset T \subset K \subset \mathbb{Q}_f$. Since $[\mathbb{Q}_f : \mathbb{Q}] = 24$ and $[K : \mathbb{Q}] = 4$, $[\mathbb{Q}_f : K] = 6$ and we have, in fact, $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}_f/K) \simeq S_3$. This further implies that $S_3 \leq \text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}_f/T) \leq S_4$. However, there is no such intermediate group between S_3 and S_4 , since by a known result in group theory, S_3 is a maximal subgroup of S_4 . Therefore, there is no intermediate field between \mathbb{Q} and K and thus, $X(K, \mathcal{O}_K^{*,+})$ satisfies the requirements imposed in Theorem 4.3.

Table 5 Summary of the dimensions of the Morse–Novikov cohomologies of an Oeljeklaus–Toma manifold of type (2, 1)

k	$\dim H_{d_k}^0$	$\dim H_{d_k}^1$	$\dim H_{d_k}^2$	$\dim H_{d_k}^3$	$\dim H_{d_k}^4$	$\dim H_{d_k}^5$	$\dim H_{d_k}^6$
$k = -1$	0	0	1	2	1	0	0
$k = 0$	1	2	1	0	1	2	1
$k = 1$	0	0	1	2	1	0	0

Just non-trivial cohomology groups are reported

Example 4.5 For example, for $s = 2$ and $t = 1$ we choose a co-frame of invariant 1-forms $\{e^1, e^2, e^3, e^4, e^5, e^6\}$ with structure equations (cf. [24, Section 6])

$$\begin{cases} de^1 = 0 \\ de^2 = 0 \\ de^3 = -e^1 \wedge e^3 \\ de^4 = -e^2 \wedge e^4 \\ de^5 = \frac{1}{2}e^1 \wedge e^5 + c_1e^1 \wedge e^6 + \frac{1}{2}e^2 \wedge e^5 + c_2e^2 \wedge e^6 \\ de^6 = -c_1e^1 \wedge e^5 + \frac{1}{2}e^1 \wedge e^6 - c_2e^2 \wedge e^5 + \frac{1}{2}e^2 \wedge e^6 \end{cases},$$

for some $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$. The possible Lee forms of lcs structures are: $e^1 + e^2$; and, when $c_1 \neq c_2$, also $-e^1 - e^2$ (take $\omega = \omega_{12}e^1 \wedge e^2 + \omega_{14}e^1 \wedge e^4 + \frac{(4c_1c_2+9)\omega_{25}-6(c_1-c_2)\omega_{26}}{4c_2^2+9}e^1 \wedge e^5 + \frac{6(c_1-c_2)\omega_{25}+(4c_1c_2+9)\omega_{26}}{4c_2^2+9}e^1 \wedge e^6 + \omega_{23}e^2 \wedge e^3 + \omega_{25}e^2 \wedge e^5 + \omega_{26}e^2 \wedge e^6 + \omega_{34}e^3 \wedge e^4$ for coefficients ω_{jk} such that $\frac{36(c_1-c_2)\cdot(\omega_{25}^2+\omega_{26}^2)\cdot\omega_{34}}{4c_2^2+9} \neq 0$). The almost-symplectic form

$$\Omega := 2e^1 \wedge e^3 + e^1 \wedge e^4 + e^2 \wedge e^3 + 2e^2 \wedge e^4 + e^5 \wedge e^6 \tag{4.5}$$

is a locally conformally symplectic structure with Lee form

$$\vartheta := e^1 + e^2.$$

It admits a compatible complex structure J :

$$Je^1 := e^3, \quad Je^2 := e^4, \quad Je^3 := e^6.$$

For suitable values of c_1 and c_2 , by Theorem 4.3 and Proposition 3.2 one can compute the lcs cohomologies of $X(K, U)$. In Table 5, we report the dimensions of the Morse–Novikov cohomology groups (computations have been performed with the help of Sage [44].) Notice that for $k = 0$ we recover the Betti numbers of $X(K, U)$ as already computed in [38, Remark 2.8].

More in general, we show that Oeljeklaus–Toma manifolds of type $(s, 1)$ that satisfy the technical condition in Theorem 4.3 can be found for any $s \geq 1$.

Proposition 4.6 *Let $s > 0$ be a natural number. Then, there exists K an algebraic number field with s real embeddings and 2 conjugate complex embeddings such that there is no intermediate extension between \mathbb{Q} and K .*

Proof Let $n = s + 2$. The idea is to prove the existence of a monic irreducible polynomial $f \in \mathbb{Z}[X]$ of degree $s + 2$ such that f has s real roots, 2 conjugate complex roots and $\text{Gal}(f) = S_n$. Once proven this, take $K = \mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$, where α is one of the roots of f . Like in

the example, we would have $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(f)/K) = S_{n-1}$. The existence of an intermediate field between \mathbb{Q} and K would imply the existence of a subgroup H of S_n , such that $S_{n-1} \leq H \leq S_n$. But this does not exist, as S_{n-1} is a maximal subgroup of S_n .

A construction of a polynomial f whose $\text{Gal}(f)$ is S_n was given by B.L. van der Waerden. The idea was to consider the following monic polynomial $f = -15f_1 + 10f_2 + 6f_3$, where f_1, f_2 and f_3 are degree n polynomials and f_1 reduced in $\mathbb{Z}_2[X]$ is irreducible, f_2 decomposes in $\mathbb{Z}_3[X]$ as a product of a linear factor and a degree $n - 1$ irreducible polynomial, and f_3 decomposes in \mathbb{Z}_5 as a product of an irreducible quadratic polynomial and a degree $n - 2$ irreducible polynomial, if n is odd, or as a product of an irreducible quadratic polynomial and two irreducible polynomials of odd degree, if n is even. It is explained in Proposition 4.7.10 in [50] why there exist f_1, f_2 and f_3 with these properties and why f thus defined has Galois group S_n . Observe that f is irreducible because we have $f = f_1$ modulo 2, which is irreducible in $\mathbb{Z}_2[X]$. Moreover, if g is any polynomial of degree $n - 1$, then $f + 30g$ is also an irreducible polynomial with Galois group S_n .

Now we use the same argument as in Remark 1.1 in [38]. Namely, let $D = \{(a_1, \dots, a_n)\} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^n$ be the set of n -Tuples such that $h = X^n + a_1X^{n-1} + \dots + a_n$ (not necessarily irreducible) has s real roots and 2 complex roots. Then, D is a non-empty set which contains arbitrarily large open balls, as argued in [38]. If $f = X^n + b_1X^{n-1} + \dots + b_n$, consider the set $D' = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) + 30\mathbb{Z}^n$. Then, D' intersects D and the intersection consists of irreducible polynomials with s real roots, 2 complex roots and Galois group S_n . □

As a corollary, we obtain:

Corollary 4.7 *For any natural number $s \geq 1$, we obtain an Oeljeklaus–Toma manifold of type $(s, 1)$ satisfying the Mostow condition.*

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