

# Examples of Connections

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## 1 Preliminaries

Consider a rank  $r$  complex vector bundle  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$ . Let  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha\}$  be an open cover of  $M$  such that

$$E|_{U_\alpha} \cong U_\alpha \times \mathbb{C}^r$$

for every  $U_\alpha \in \mathcal{U}$ , and let  $e_\alpha^1, \dots, e_\alpha^r$  be trivializing sections. We have maps

$$g_{\alpha\beta} : U_{\alpha\beta} \longrightarrow GL(r, \mathbb{C})$$

where  $U_{\alpha\beta} = U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$  for  $U_\alpha, U_\beta \in \mathcal{U}$ . These tell us how to move between two trivializing sections on the overlap  $U_{\alpha\beta}$ . In particular, we have

$$e_\alpha^i = g_{\alpha\beta}^i{}_j e_\beta^j.$$

A connection  $d_A$  is a local operator, determined by its restriction to  $\mathcal{U}$ . The space of connections on the bundle  $E$  is denoted  $\mathcal{A}(E)$ , and for  $A \in \mathcal{A}(E|_{U_\alpha})$ ,  $B \in \mathcal{A}(E|_{U_\beta})$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} d_A e_\alpha^i &= d_A(g_{\alpha\beta}^i{}_j e_\beta^j) \\ A_j^i e_\alpha^j &= dg_{\alpha\beta}^i{}_j e_\beta^j + g_{\alpha\beta}^i{}_j B_k^j e_\beta^k \\ A_j^i e_\alpha^j &= dg_{\alpha\beta}^i{}_j g_{\beta\alpha}^j{}_k e_\alpha^k + g_{\alpha\beta}^i{}_j B_k^j g_{\beta\alpha}^k{}_l e_\alpha^l \end{aligned}$$

where  $g_{\beta\alpha} = g_{\alpha\beta}^{-1}$ . Now, renaming indicies,

$$\begin{aligned} A_n^i e_\alpha^n &= dg_{\alpha\beta}^i{}_j g_{\beta\alpha}^j{}_n e_\alpha^n + g_{\alpha\beta}^i{}_j B_k^j g_{\beta\alpha}^k{}_n e_\alpha^n \\ A_n^i e_\alpha^n &= (dg_{\alpha\beta}^i{}_j g_{\beta\alpha}^j{}_n + g_{\alpha\beta}^i{}_j B_k^j g_{\beta\alpha}^k{}_n) e_\alpha^n \end{aligned}$$

so that in general,

$$A = (dg)g^{-1} + gBg^{-1}$$

as matrices.

## 2 The case of $\mathbb{CP}^1$

As a simple example, consider  $T\mathbb{CP}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^1$ . Here our manifold  $M$  is

$$\mathbb{CP}^1 = (\mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{0\}) /_{(x_0 : x_1) \sim (\lambda x_0 : \lambda x_1)}$$

where  $\lambda \neq 0$  and  $E$  is

$$T\mathbb{CP}^1 = \{(x, v) : x \in \mathbb{CP}^1, v \in T_x \mathbb{CP}^1\}.$$

Construct  $U = \{U_0, U_1\}$  by taking

$$U_0 = \{(x_0 : x_1) \in \mathbb{CP}^1 : x_0 \neq 0\} = \left\{ \left( 1 : \frac{x_1}{x_0} \right) \right\} = \{z \in \mathbb{C}\} \subset \mathbb{CP}^1$$

$$U_1 = \{(x_0 : x_1) \in \mathbb{CP}^1 : x_1 \neq 0\} = \left\{ \left( \frac{x_0}{x_1} : 1 \right) \right\} = \{w \in \mathbb{C}\} \subset \mathbb{CP}^1$$

so that each of the  $U_\alpha$  is a copy of  $\mathbb{C}$  and

$$\begin{aligned} U_0 &\longrightarrow U_1 \\ z &\longmapsto \frac{1}{z} = w. \end{aligned}$$

Now  $T\mathbb{CP}^1|_{U_\alpha}$  is a copy of  $\mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}$  so that

$$T\mathbb{CP}^1|_{U_\alpha} \cong U_\alpha \times \mathbb{C}$$

via the maps

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C} &\longleftrightarrow U_0 \times \mathbb{C} \\ \left( z, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) &\longmapsto (z, 1) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C} &\longleftrightarrow U_1 \times \mathbb{C} \\ \left( w, \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \right) &\longmapsto (w, 1). \end{aligned}$$

The trivializing sections are  $e_0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$  and  $e_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial w}$  and the transition function

$$g_{01} : U_{01} \longrightarrow GL(1, \mathbb{C})$$

is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} &= \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial z} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \frac{1}{z} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial z} &= -\frac{1}{z^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \\ e_0 &= -w^2 e_1 \end{aligned}$$

thus  $g_{01} = g = -w^2$  and  $g_{10} = g^{-1} = \frac{-1}{w^2}$ . In this case, we have only  $1 \times 1$  matrices (functions) to worry about. If  $A \in \mathcal{A}(T\mathbb{CP}^1|_{U_0})$  and  $B \in \mathcal{A}(T\mathbb{CP}^1|_{U_1})$  then

$$\begin{aligned} A &= (dg)g^{-1} + gBg^{-1} \\ A &= (-2wdw) \left( -\frac{1}{w^2} \right) + B \\ A &= \frac{2}{w}dw + B. \quad \star \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$B = -\frac{2\bar{w}dw}{1+w\bar{w}}.$$

Notice that  $B$  is defined on all of  $\mathbb{C}$  (i.e all of  $U_1$ ). We need to see that  $A$  is also well defined on  $\mathbb{C}$  (i.e all of  $U_0$ ), and that both functions agree on the overlap  $U_{01} = \mathbb{C}^*$  (as in  $\star$ ).

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \frac{2}{w}dw - \frac{2\bar{w}}{1+w\bar{w}}dw \\ &= \frac{2+2w\bar{w}-2w\bar{w}}{w(1+w\bar{w})}dw \\ &= \frac{2}{w(1+w\bar{w})}dw \end{aligned}$$

Now  $w = \frac{1}{z}$  and  $dw = \frac{dw}{dz}dz = -\frac{1}{z^2}dz$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{2z^2\bar{z}}{1+z\bar{z}} \left( -\frac{1}{z^2} \right) dz \\ &= -\frac{2\bar{z}}{1+z\bar{z}} dz \end{aligned}$$

and  $A$  is well defined on  $\mathbb{C}$  as required. The curvature of  $A$  is defined

$$F_A = dA + A \wedge A = dA$$

since  $A$  is a  $1 \times 1$  matrix.

$$\begin{aligned} F_A &= \frac{\partial A}{\partial \bar{z}} d\bar{z} \\ &= \frac{-2(1+z\bar{z}) + 2\bar{z}(z)}{(1+z\bar{z})^2} d\bar{z}dz \\ &= \frac{2}{(1+z\bar{z})^2} dzd\bar{z} \end{aligned}$$

We want to see that

$$\chi(\mathbb{CP}^1) = \int_{\mathbb{CP}^1} Tr \left( \frac{iF_A}{2\pi} \right) = 2.$$

First, notice that  $Tr(F_A) = F_A$  since  $F_A$  is a function in this case. Then, by removing a set of measure zero,

$$\int_{\mathbb{CP}^1} Tr\left(\frac{iF_A}{2\pi}\right) = \int_{\mathbb{CP}^1} \frac{iF_A}{2\pi} = \frac{i}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{C}} F_A.$$

Finally,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{i}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{C}} F_A &= \frac{i}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{C}} \frac{2}{(1+z\bar{z})^2} dz d\bar{z} \\ &= \frac{i}{\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{1}{(1+x^2+y^2)^2} (dx+idy)(dx-idy) \\ &= \frac{i}{\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{-2i}{(1+x^2+y^2)^2} dx dy \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{2}{(1+x^2+y^2)^2} dx dy \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{2r}{(1+r^2)^2} dr d\theta \\ &= 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{d(1+r^2)}{(1+r^2)^2} \\ &= 2 \left[ -\frac{1}{1+r^2} \right]_0^\infty \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

as required.

### 3 The case of $\mathbb{CP}^2$

Now consider the bundle  $T\mathbb{CP}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^2$ . As before,

$$\mathbb{CP}^2 = (\mathbb{C}^3 \setminus \{0\}) /_{(x_0:x_1:x_2) \sim (\lambda x_0:\lambda x_1:\lambda x_2)}$$

for  $\lambda \neq 0$  and

$$T\mathbb{CP}^2 = \{(x, v) : x \in \mathbb{CP}^2, v \in T_x \mathbb{CP}^2\}.$$

In this case, the cover  $\mathcal{U}$  has three components,

$$U_0 = \{(x_0 : x_1 : x_2) \in \mathbb{CP}^2 : x_0 \neq 0\} = \left\{ \left( 1 : \frac{x_1}{x_0} : \frac{x_2}{x_0} \right) \right\} = \{(z_1, z_2) \in \mathbb{C}^2\} \subset \mathbb{CP}^2$$

$$U_1 = \{(x_0 : x_1 : x_2) \in \mathbb{CP}^2 : x_1 \neq 0\} = \left\{ \left( \frac{x_0}{x_1} : 1 : \frac{x_2}{x_1} \right) \right\} = \{(w_1, w_2) \in \mathbb{C}^2\} \subset \mathbb{CP}^2$$

$$U_2 = \{(x_0 : x_1 : x_2) \in \mathbb{CP}^2 : x_2 \neq 0\} = \left\{ \left( \frac{x_0}{x_2} : \frac{x_1}{x_2} : 1 \right) \right\} = \{(y_1, y_2) \in \mathbb{C}^2\} \subset \mathbb{CP}^2$$

with maps

$$\begin{aligned} U_0 &\longrightarrow U_1 \\ (z_1, z_2) &\longmapsto \left( \frac{1}{z_1}, \frac{z_2}{z_1} \right) = (w_1, w_2) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} U_2 &\longrightarrow U_1 \\ (y_1, y_2) &\longmapsto \left( \frac{y_1}{y_2}, \frac{1}{y_2} \right) = (w_1, w_2). \end{aligned}$$

Each  $T\mathbb{C}P^2|_{U_\alpha}$  is a copy of  $\mathbb{C}^2 \times \mathbb{C}^2$  and

$$T\mathbb{C}P^2|_{U_\alpha} \cong U_\alpha \times \mathbb{C}^2$$

via the maps

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{C}^2 \times \mathbb{C}^2 &\longleftrightarrow U_0 \times \mathbb{C}^2 \\ \left( z_1, z_2, \frac{\partial}{\partial z_1}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z_2} \right) &\longmapsto (z_1, z_2, 1, 1) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{C}^2 \times \mathbb{C}^2 &\longleftrightarrow U_1 \times \mathbb{C}^2 \\ \left( w_1, w_2, \frac{\partial}{\partial w_1}, \frac{\partial}{\partial w_2} \right) &\longmapsto (w_1, w_2, 1, 1) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{C}^2 \times \mathbb{C}^2 &\longleftrightarrow U_2 \times \mathbb{C}^2 \\ \left( y_1, y_2, \frac{\partial}{\partial y_1}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y_2} \right) &\longmapsto (y_1, y_2, 1, 1). \end{aligned}$$

In this case, our trivialising sections are

$$\begin{aligned} (e_0^1, e_0^2) &= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial z_1}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z_2} \right) \quad \text{on } U_0 \\ (e_1^1, e_1^2) &= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial w_1}, \frac{\partial}{\partial w_2} \right) \quad \text{on } U_1 \\ (e_2^1, e_2^2) &= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial y_1}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y_2} \right) \quad \text{on } U_2. \end{aligned}$$

We need to build two transition functions

$$\begin{aligned} g_{01} : U_{01} &\longrightarrow GL(2, \mathbb{C}) \\ g_{21} : U_{21} &\longrightarrow GL(2, \mathbb{C}) \end{aligned}$$

so that  $e_0^i = g_{01}^i e_1^j$  and  $e_2^i = g_{21}^i e_1^j$ . To do this, write

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial z_1} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial z_2} \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial w_1}{\partial z_1} & \frac{\partial w_2}{\partial z_1} \\ \frac{\partial w_1}{\partial z_2} & \frac{\partial w_2}{\partial z_2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial w_1} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial w_2} \end{bmatrix} \\ [e_0^i] &= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{z_1^2} & -\frac{z_2}{z_1^2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{z_1} \end{bmatrix} [e_1^i] \\ [e_0^i] &= \begin{bmatrix} -w_1^2 & -w_1 w_2 \\ 0 & w_1 \end{bmatrix} [e_1^i] \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} g_{01} &= \begin{bmatrix} -w_1^2 & -w_1 w_2 \\ 0 & w_1 \end{bmatrix} \\ g_{10} = g_{01}^{-1} &= -\frac{1}{w_1^3} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & w_1 w_2 \\ 0 & -w_1^2 \end{bmatrix} \\ dg_{01} &= \begin{bmatrix} -2dw_1 & -(w_2 dw_1 + w_1 dw_2) \\ 0 & dw_1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial y_1} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial y_2} \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial w_1}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial w_2}{\partial y_1} \\ \frac{\partial w_1}{\partial y_2} & \frac{\partial w_2}{\partial y_2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial w_1} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial w_2} \end{bmatrix} \\ [e_2^i] &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{y_2} & 0 \\ -\frac{y_1}{y_2^2} & -\frac{1}{y_2} \end{bmatrix} [e_1^i] \\ [e_2^i] &= \begin{bmatrix} w_2 & 0 \\ -w_1 w_2 & -w_2^2 \end{bmatrix} [e_1^i] \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} g_{21} &= \begin{bmatrix} w_2 & 0 \\ -w_1 w_2 & -w_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \\ g_{12} = g_{21}^{-1} &= -\frac{1}{w_2^3} \begin{bmatrix} -w_2^2 & 0 \\ w_1 w_2 & w_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ dg_{21} &= \begin{bmatrix} dw_2 & 0 \\ -(w_2 dw_1 + w_1 dw_2) & -2w_2 dw_2 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

The aim now is to choose a local connection matrix  $A \in \mathcal{A}(T\mathbb{CP}^2|_{U_1})$  and check that we get some local connection matrices  $B \in \mathcal{A}(T\mathbb{CP}^2|_{U_0})$  and  $C \in \mathcal{A}(T\mathbb{CP}^2|_{U_2})$ , via

$$\begin{aligned} B &= (dg_{01})g_{10} + g_{01}Ag_{10} \\ C &= (dg_{21})g_{12} + g_{21}Bg_{12} \end{aligned}$$

that agree on the respective overlaps. First, compute the coefficients of  $B$  in terms of the coefficients of  $A$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
& (dg_{01})g_{10} \\
&= -\frac{1}{w_1^3} \begin{bmatrix} -2dw_1 & -(w_2 dw_1 + w_1 dw_2) \\ 0 & dw_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & w_1 w_2 \\ 0 & -w_1^2 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= -\frac{1}{w_1^3} \begin{bmatrix} -2w_1^2 dw_1 & -2w_1^2 w_2 dw_1 + w_1^2 (w_2 dw_1 + w_1 dw_2) \\ 0 & -w_1^2 dw_1 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= -\frac{1}{w_1^3} \begin{bmatrix} -2w_1^2 dw_1 & -w_1^2 w_2 dw_1 + w_1^3 dw_2 \\ 0 & -w_1^2 dw_1 \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

$$(dg_{01})g_{10} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{w_1} dw_1 & \frac{w_2}{w_1} dw_1 - dw_2 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{w_1} dw_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& g_{01}Ag_{10} \\
&= -\frac{1}{w_1^3} \begin{bmatrix} -w_1^2 & -w_1 w_2 \\ 0 & w_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & w_1 w_2 \\ 0 & -w_1^2 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= -\frac{1}{w_1^3} \begin{bmatrix} -a_{11}w_1^2 - a_{21}w_1 w_2 & -a_{12}w_1^2 - a_{22}w_1 w_2 \\ a_{21}w_1 & a_{22}w_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & w_1 w_2 \\ 0 & -w_1^2 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= -\frac{1}{w_1^3} \begin{bmatrix} -a_{11}w_1^3 - a_{21}w_1^2 w_2 & -a_{11}w_1^3 w_2 - a_{21}w_1^2 w_2^2 + a_{12}w_1^4 + a_{22}w_1^3 w_2 \\ a_{21}w_1^2 & a_{21}w_1^2 w_2 - a_{22}w_1^3 \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

$$g_{01}Ag_{10} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} + a_{21}\frac{w_2}{w_1} & a_{11}w_2 + a_{21}\frac{w_2^2}{w_1} - a_{12}w_1 - a_{22}w_2 \\ -a_{21}\frac{1}{w_1} & -a_{21}\frac{w_2}{w_1} + a_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

Combining these,  $B = (dg_{01})g_{10} + g_{01}Ag_{10}$  and

$$\begin{aligned}
b_{11} &= \frac{2}{w_1} dw_1 + a_{11} + \frac{w_2}{w_1} a_{21} \\
b_{12} &= \frac{w_2}{w_1} dw_1 - dw_2 + w_2(a_{11} - a_{22}) + \frac{w_2^2}{w_1} a_{21} - w_1 a_{12} \\
b_{21} &= -\frac{1}{w_1} a_{21} \\
b_{22} &= \frac{1}{w_1} dw_1 - \frac{w_2}{w_1} a_{21} + a_{22}
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Similarly, with

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& (dg_{21})g_{12} \\
&= -\frac{1}{w_2^3} \begin{bmatrix} dw_2 & 0 \\ -(w_2 dw_1 + w_1 dw_2) & -2w_2 dw_2 \\ -w_2^2 dw_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -w_2^2 & 0 \\ w_1 w_2 & w_2 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= -\frac{1}{w_2^3} \begin{bmatrix} w_2^2 (w_2 dw_1 + w_1 dw_2) - 2w_1 w_2^2 dw_2 & -2w_2^2 dw_2 \\ -w_2^2 dw_2 & 0 \\ w_2^3 dw_1 - w_1 w_2^2 dw_2 & -2w_2^2 dw_2 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= -\frac{1}{w_2^3} \begin{bmatrix} dw_2 & 0 \\ -dw_1 + \frac{w_1}{w_2} dw_2 & \frac{2}{w_2} dw_2 \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& g_{21}Ag_{12} \\
&= -\frac{1}{w_2^3} \begin{bmatrix} w_2 & 0 \\ -w_1 w_2 & -w_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -w_2^2 & 0 \\ w_1 w_2 & w_2 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= -\frac{1}{w_2^3} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} w_2 & a_{12} w_2 \\ a_{11} w_1 w_2 - a_{21} w_2^2 & -a_{12} w_1 w_2 - a_{22} w_2^2 \\ -a_{11} w_2^3 + a_{12} w_1 w_2^2 & a_{21} w_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -w_2^2 & 0 \\ w_1 w_2 & w_2 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= -\frac{1}{w_2^3} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} w_1 w_2^3 + a_{21} w_2^4 - a_{12} w_1^2 w_2^2 - a_{22} w_1 w_2^3 & -a_{12} w_1 w_2^2 - a_{22} w_2^3 \\ a_{11} - a_{12} \frac{w_1}{w_2} & -a_{12} \frac{1}{w_2} \\ -a_{11} w_1 + a_{21} w_2 - a_{12} \frac{w_1^2}{w_2} + a_{22} w_1 & a_{12} \frac{w_1}{w_2} + a_{22} \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

and as  $C = (dg_{02})g_{20} + g_{02}Ag_{20}$ , the coefficients are

$$\begin{aligned}
c_{11} &= \frac{1}{w_2} dw_2 + a_{11} - \frac{w_1}{w_2} a_{12} \\
c_{12} &= -\frac{1}{w_2} a_{12} \\
c_{21} &= -dw_1 + \frac{w_1}{w_2} dw_2 + w_1(a_{22} - a_{11}) + \frac{w_1^2}{w_2} a_{12} - w_2 a_{21} \\
c_{22} &= \frac{2}{w_2} dw_2 + \frac{w_1}{w_2} a_{12} + a_{22}.
\end{aligned}$$

## 4 A connection matrix

The following is an appropriate choice for a connection matrix:

$$A = -\frac{1}{R_w} \begin{bmatrix} 2\bar{w}_1 dw_1 + \bar{w}_2 dw_2 & \bar{w}_1 dw_2 \\ \bar{w}_2 dw_1 & \bar{w}_1 dw_1 + 2\bar{w}_2 dw_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$R_w = 1 + w_1 \bar{w}_1 + w_2 \bar{w}_2.$$

We need to check that this gives rise to a well defined connection matrix on  $U_0$ . Recall that

$$\begin{aligned} w_1 &= \frac{1}{z_1} \\ w_2 &= \frac{z_2}{z_1}. \end{aligned}$$

It will be useful to have

$$R_w = 1 + w_1 \bar{w}_1 + w_2 \bar{w}_2 = 1 + \frac{1}{z_1 \bar{z}_1} + \frac{z_2 \bar{z}_2}{z_1 \bar{z}_1} = \frac{1}{z_1 \bar{z}_1} R_z.$$

We also have that

$$\begin{aligned} dw_1 &= \frac{\partial w_1}{\partial z_1} dz_1 + \frac{\partial w_1}{\partial z_2} dz_2 \\ &= -\frac{1}{z_1^2} dz_1 \\ dw_2 &= \frac{\partial w_2}{\partial z_1} dz_1 + \frac{\partial w_2}{\partial z_2} dz_2 \\ &= -\frac{z_2}{z_1^2} dz_1 + \frac{1}{z_1} dz_2. \end{aligned}$$

Now check each coefficient:

$$\begin{aligned} b_{11} &= \frac{2}{w_1} dw_1 + a_{11} + \frac{w_2}{w_1} a_{21} \\ &= \frac{2}{w_1} dw_1 - \frac{1}{R_w} (2\bar{w}_1 dw_1 + \bar{w}_2 dw_2) - \frac{w_2}{w_1} \frac{1}{R_w} \bar{w}_2 dw_1 \\ &= \frac{2}{w_1} dw_1 - \frac{2\bar{w}_1}{R_w} dw_1 - \frac{\bar{w}_2}{R_w} dw_2 - \frac{w_2 \bar{w}_2}{w_1 R_w} dw_1 \\ &= -\frac{2}{z_1} dz_1 + \frac{2}{z_1 R_z} dz_1 + \frac{z_2 \bar{z}_2}{z_1 R_z} dz_1 - \frac{\bar{z}_2 z_1}{R_z} \left( -\frac{z_2}{z_1^2} dz_1 + \frac{1}{z_1} dz_2 \right) \\ &= \frac{-2R_z + 2 + z_2 \bar{z}_2 + z_2 \bar{z}_2}{z_1 R_z} dz_1 - \frac{\bar{z}_2}{R_z} dz_2 \\ &= -\frac{2\bar{z}_1}{R_z} dz_1 - \frac{\bar{z}_2}{R_z} dz_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b_{12} &= \frac{w_2}{w_1} dw_1 - dw_2 + w_2(a_{11} - a_{22}) + \frac{w_2^2}{w_1} a_{21} - w_1 a_{12} \\ &= \frac{w_2}{w_1} dw_1 - dw_2 + w_2 \frac{1}{R_w} (-\bar{w}_1 dw_1 + \bar{w}_2 dw_2) - \frac{w_2^2}{w_1} \frac{1}{R_w} \bar{w}_2 dw_1 + w_1 \frac{1}{R_w} \bar{w}_1 dw_2 \\ &= \frac{w_2}{w_1} dw_1 - dw_2 - \frac{w_2 \bar{w}_1}{R_w} dw_1 + \frac{w_2 \bar{w}_2}{R_w} dw_2 - \frac{w_2^2 \bar{w}_2}{w_1 R_w} dw_1 + \frac{w_1 \bar{w}_1}{R_w} dw_2 \\ &= \frac{w_2}{w_1} dw_1 - \frac{w_2 \bar{w}_1}{R_w} dw_1 - \frac{w_2^2 \bar{w}_2}{w_1 R_w} dw_1 + \left( -1 + \frac{w_2 \bar{w}_2}{R_w} + \frac{w_1 \bar{w}_1}{R_w} \right) dw_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= -\frac{z_2}{z_1^2}dz_1 + \frac{z_2}{z_1^2 R_z}dz_1 + \frac{z_2^2 \bar{z}_2}{z_1^2 R_z}dz_1 + \left(-1 + \frac{1}{R_z} + \frac{z_2 \bar{z}_2}{R_z}\right) \left(-\frac{z_2}{z_1^2}dz_1 + \frac{1}{z_1}dz_2\right) \\
&= \frac{-R_z + 1 + z_2 \bar{z}_2}{z_1 R_z}dz_2 \\
&= -\frac{\bar{z}_1}{R_z}dz_2
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
b_{21} &= -\frac{1}{w_1}a_{21} \\
&= \frac{1}{w_1} \frac{\bar{w}_2}{R_w}dw_1 \\
&= -\frac{\bar{z}_2}{R_z}dz_1
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
b_{22} &= \frac{1}{w_1}dw_1 - \frac{w_2}{w_1}a_{21} + a_{22} \\
&= \frac{1}{w_1}dw_1 + \frac{w_2}{w_1} \frac{1}{R_w} \bar{w}_2 dw_1 - \frac{1}{R_w}(\bar{w}_1 dw_1 + 2\bar{w}_2 dw_2) \\
&= \frac{1}{w_1}dw_1 + \frac{w_2 \bar{w}_2}{w_1 R_w}dw_1 - \frac{\bar{w}_1}{R_w}dw_1 - \frac{2\bar{w}_2}{R_w}dw_2 \\
&= -\frac{1}{z_1}dz_1 - \frac{z_2 \bar{z}_2}{z_1 R_z}dz_1 + \frac{1}{z_1 R_z}dz_1 - \frac{\bar{z}_2 z_1}{R_z} \left(-\frac{z_2}{z_1^2}dz_1 + \frac{1}{z_1}dz_2\right) \\
&= \frac{-R_z - z_2 \bar{z}_2 + 2z_2 \bar{z}_2 + 1}{z_1 R_z}dz_1 - \frac{2\bar{z}_2}{R_z}dz_2 \\
&= -\frac{\bar{z}_1}{R_z}dz_1 - \frac{2\bar{z}_2}{R_z}dz_2
\end{aligned}$$

Now

$$B = -\frac{1}{R_z} \begin{bmatrix} 2\bar{z}_1 dz_1 + \bar{z}_2 dz_2 & \bar{z}_1 dz_2 \\ \bar{z}_2 dz_1 & \bar{z}_1 dz_1 + 2\bar{z}_2 dz_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$R_z = 1 + z_1 \bar{z}_1 + z_2 \bar{z}_2.$$

This shows that  $A$  and  $B$  agree on the overlap  $U_{01}$ , and that this  $B$  is defined for all  $(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{C}^2$ , hence on all of  $U_0$ , as required. To see that the same is true for  $C$ , let  $\tilde{a}_{ij}$  and  $\tilde{c}_{ij}$  denote the coefficients of  $A$  and  $C$  with the  $w_1$  and  $w_2$  switched. Then notice that

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{c}_{22} & \tilde{c}_{21} \\ \tilde{c}_{12} & \tilde{c}_{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

while

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{a}_{22} & \tilde{a}_{21} \\ \tilde{a}_{12} & \tilde{a}_{11} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now since

$$w_1 = \frac{1}{z_1} = \frac{y_1}{y_2}$$

$$w_2 = \frac{z_2}{z_1} = \frac{1}{y_2}$$

a computation, similar to the one above (with the roles of  $w_1$  and  $w_2$  exchanged), shows that

$$C = -\frac{1}{R_y} \begin{bmatrix} 2\bar{y}_1 dy_1 + \bar{y}_2 dy_2 & \bar{y}_1 dy_2 \\ \bar{y}_2 dy_1 & \bar{y}_1 dy_1 + 2\bar{y}_2 dy_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$R_y = 1 + y_1 \bar{y}_1 + y_2 \bar{y}_2.$$

## 5 The curvature $F_A$

We need to compute

$$F_A = dA + A \wedge A.$$

Set  $R_w = R$  so that

$$dR = w_1 d\bar{w}_1 + \bar{w}_1 dw_1 + w_2 d\bar{w}_2 + \bar{w}_2 dw_2$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} dA &= \frac{dR}{R^2} \begin{bmatrix} 2\bar{w}_1 dw_1 + \bar{w}_2 dw_2 & \bar{w}_1 dw_2 \\ \bar{w}_2 dw_1 & \bar{w}_1 dw_1 + 2\bar{w}_2 dw_2 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{R} \begin{bmatrix} 2d\bar{w}_1 dw_1 + d\bar{w}_2 dw_2 & d\bar{w}_1 dw_2 \\ d\bar{w}_2 dw_1 & d\bar{w}_1 dw_1 + 2d\bar{w}_2 dw_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{R^2} \begin{bmatrix} 2w_1 \bar{w}_1 d\bar{w}_1 dw_1 + w_1 \bar{w}_2 d\bar{w}_1 dw_2 + \bar{w}_1 \bar{w}_2 dw_1 dw_2 \\ + 2\bar{w}_1 w_2 d\bar{w}_2 dw_1 + w_2 \bar{w}_2 d\bar{w}_2 dw_2 + 2\bar{w}_1 \bar{w}_2 dw_2 dw_1 \\ \\ w_1 \bar{w}_1 d\bar{w}_1 dw_2 + \bar{w}_1^2 dw_1 dw_2 + w_2 \bar{w}_1 d\bar{w}_2 dw_2 \\ \\ w_1 \bar{w}_2 d\bar{w}_1 dw_1 + w_2 \bar{w}_2 d\bar{w}_2 dw_1 + \bar{w}_2^2 dw_2 dw_1 \\ \\ w_1 \bar{w}_1 d\bar{w}_1 dw_1 + 2w_1 \bar{w}_2 d\bar{w}_1 dw_2 + 2\bar{w}_1 \bar{w}_2 dw_1 dw_2 \\ + w_2 \bar{w}_1 d\bar{w}_2 dw_1 + 2w_2 \bar{w}_2 d\bar{w}_2 dw_2 + \bar{w}_1 \bar{w}_2 dw_2 dw_1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\quad + \frac{R}{R^2} \begin{bmatrix} 2dw_1 d\bar{w}_1 + dw_2 d\bar{w}_2 & -d\bar{w}_1 dw_2 \\ dw_1 d\bar{w}_2 & dw_1 d\bar{w}_1 + 2dw_2 d\bar{w}_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{R^2} \begin{bmatrix} -2w_1 \bar{w}_1 dw_1 d\bar{w}_1 + w_1 \bar{w}_2 d\bar{w}_1 dw_2 - \bar{w}_1 \bar{w}_2 dw_1 dw_2 - 2\bar{w}_1 w_2 dw_1 d\bar{w}_2 - w_2 \bar{w}_2 dw_2 d\bar{w}_2 \\ \\ w_1 \bar{w}_1 d\bar{w}_1 dw_2 + \bar{w}_1^2 dw_1 dw_2 - \bar{w}_1 w_2 dw_2 d\bar{w}_2 \\ \\ -w_1 \bar{w}_2 dw_1 d\bar{w}_1 - w_2 \bar{w}_2 dw_1 d\bar{w}_2 - \bar{w}_2^2 dw_1 dw_2 \\ \\ -w_1 \bar{w}_1 dw_1 d\bar{w}_1 + 2w_1 \bar{w}_2 d\bar{w}_1 dw_2 + \bar{w}_1 \bar{w}_2 dw_1 dw_2 - \bar{w}_1 w_2 dw_1 d\bar{w}_2 - 2w_2 \bar{w}_2 dw_2 d\bar{w}_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{R^2} \begin{bmatrix} R(2dw_1 d\bar{w}_1 + dw_2 d\bar{w}_2) & -Rd\bar{w}_1 dw_2 \\ Rdw_1 d\bar{w}_2 & R(dw_1 d\bar{w}_1 + 2dw_2 d\bar{w}_2) \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{R^2} \left[ \begin{array}{c} (2 + 2w_2\bar{w}_2)dw_1d\bar{w}_1 + w_1\bar{w}_2d\bar{w}_1dw_2 - \bar{w}_1\bar{w}_2dw_1dw_2 \\ -2\bar{w}_1w_2dw_1d\bar{w}_2 + (1 + w_1\bar{w}_1)dw_2d\bar{w}_2 \\ (-1 - w_2\bar{w}_2)d\bar{w}_1dw_2 + \bar{w}^2dw_1dw_2 - \bar{w}_1w_2dw_2d\bar{w}_2 \\ -w_1\bar{w}_2dw_1d\bar{w}_1 + (1 + w_1\bar{w}_1)dw_1d\bar{w}_2 - \bar{w}_2^2dw_1dw_2 \\ (1 + w_2\bar{w}_2)dw_1d\bar{w}_1 + 2w_1\bar{w}_2d\bar{w}_1dw_2 + \bar{w}_1\bar{w}_2dw_1dw_2 \\ -\bar{w}_1w_2dw_1d\bar{w}_2 + (2 + 2w_1\bar{w}_1)dw_2d\bar{w}_2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} A \wedge A &= \frac{1}{R^2} \left( \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 2\bar{w}_1dw_1 + \bar{w}_2dw_2 & \bar{w}_1dw_2 \\ \bar{w}_2dw_1 & \bar{w}_1dw_1 + 2\bar{w}_2dw_2 \end{array} \right] \wedge \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 2\bar{w}_1dw_1 + \bar{w}_2dw_2 & \bar{w}_1dw_2 \\ \bar{w}_2dw_1 & \bar{w}_1dw_1 + 2\bar{w}_2dw_2 \end{array} \right] \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{R^2} \left[ \begin{array}{c} (2\bar{w}_1dw_1 + \bar{w}_2dw_2)^2 + (\bar{w}_1dw_2)(\bar{w}_2dw_1) \\ (2\bar{w}_1dw_1 + \bar{w}_2dw_2)\bar{w}_1dw_2 + \bar{w}_1dw_2(\bar{w}_1dw_1 + 2\bar{w}_2dw_2) \\ \bar{w}_2dw_1(2\bar{w}_1dw_1 + \bar{w}_2dw_2) + (\bar{w}_1dw_1 + 2\bar{w}_2dw_2)\bar{w}_2dw_1 \\ (\bar{w}_2dw_1)(\bar{w}_1dw_2) + (\bar{w}_1dw_1 + 2\bar{w}_2dw_2)^2 \end{array} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{R^2} \left[ \begin{array}{cc} \bar{w}_1\bar{w}_2dw_2dw_1 & 2\bar{w}_1^2dw_1dw_2 + \bar{w}_1^2dw_2dw_1 \\ \bar{w}_2^2dw_1dw_2 + 2\bar{w}_2^2dw_2dw_1 & \bar{w}_1\bar{w}_2dw_1dw_2 \end{array} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{R^2} \left[ \begin{array}{cc} -\bar{w}_1\bar{w}_2dw_1dw_2 & \bar{w}_1^2dw_1dw_2 \\ -\bar{w}_2^2dw_1dw_2 & \bar{w}_1\bar{w}_2dw_1dw_2 \end{array} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$F_A = \frac{1}{R^2} \left[ \begin{array}{c} (2 + 2w_2\bar{w}_2)dw_1d\bar{w}_1 + w_1\bar{w}_2d\bar{w}_1dw_2 - 2\bar{w}_1\bar{w}_2dw_1dw_2 \\ -2\bar{w}_1w_2dw_1d\bar{w}_2 + (1 + w_1\bar{w}_1)dw_2d\bar{w}_2 \\ (-1 - w_2\bar{w}_2)d\bar{w}_1dw_2 + 2\bar{w}^2dw_1dw_2 - \bar{w}_1w_2dw_2d\bar{w}_2 \\ -w_1\bar{w}_2dw_1d\bar{w}_1 + (1 + w_1\bar{w}_1)dw_1d\bar{w}_2 - 2\bar{w}_2^2dw_1dw_2 \\ (1 + w_2\bar{w}_2)dw_1d\bar{w}_1 + 2w_1\bar{w}_2d\bar{w}_1dw_2 + 2\bar{w}_1\bar{w}_2dw_1dw_2 \\ -\bar{w}_1w_2dw_1d\bar{w}_2 + (2 + 2w_1\bar{w}_1)dw_2d\bar{w}_2 \end{array} \right]$$

## 6 Chern Numbers

Finally, we can compute

$$\int_{\mathbb{C}P^2} \left( Tr \left[ \frac{iF_A}{2\pi} \right] \right)^2$$

and

$$\int_{\mathbb{C}P^2} Tr \left[ \frac{iF_A}{2\pi} \right]^2.$$

First,

$$Tr \left[ \frac{iF_A}{2\pi} \right] = \frac{i}{2\pi R^2} \left( (3 + 3w_2\bar{w}_2)dw_1d\bar{w}_1 + 3w_1\bar{w}_2d\bar{w}_1dw_2 - 3\bar{w}_1w_2dw_1d\bar{w}_2 + (3 + 3w_1\bar{w}_1)dw_2d\bar{w}_2 \right)$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} \left( Tr \left[ \frac{iF_A}{2\pi} \right] \right)^2 &= -\frac{1}{4\pi^2 R^4} \left( \begin{array}{c} (3 + 3w_2\bar{w}_2)(3 + 3w_1\bar{w}_1)dw_1d\bar{w}_1dw_2d\bar{w}_2 \\ -9w_1\bar{w}_1w_2\bar{w}_2d\bar{w}_1dw_2dw_1d\bar{w}_2 \\ -9w_1\bar{w}_1w_2\bar{w}_2dw_1d\bar{w}_2d\bar{w}_1dw_2 \\ + (3 + 3w_1\bar{w}_1)(3 + 3w_2\bar{w}_2)dw_2d\bar{w}_2dw_1d\bar{w}_1 \end{array} \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{4\pi^2 R^4} \left( 2(3 + 3w_1\bar{w}_1)(3 + 3w_2\bar{w}_2) - 18w_1\bar{w}_1w_2\bar{w}_2 \right) dw_1d\bar{w}_1dw_2d\bar{w}_2 \\ &= -\frac{18}{4\pi^2 R^4} \left( 1 + w_1\bar{w}_1 + w_2\bar{w}_2 \right) dw_1d\bar{w}_1dw_2d\bar{w}_2 \\ &= -\frac{9}{2\pi^2 R^3} dw_1d\bar{w}_1dw_2d\bar{w}_2. \end{aligned}$$

Second,

$$\begin{aligned} Tr \left[ \frac{iF_A}{2\pi} \right]^2 &= -\frac{1}{4\pi^2 R^4} \left( \begin{array}{c} \left( (2 + 2w_2\bar{w}_2)dw_1d\bar{w}_1 + w_1\bar{w}_2d\bar{w}_1dw_2 - 2\bar{w}_1\bar{w}_2dw_1dw_2 \right. \\ \left. - 2\bar{w}_1w_2dw_1d\bar{w}_2 + (1 + w_1\bar{w}_1)dw_2d\bar{w}_2 \right)^2 \\ + \left( (-1 - w_2\bar{w}_2)d\bar{w}_1dw_2 + 2\bar{w}^2dw_1dw_2 - \bar{w}_1w_2dw_2d\bar{w}_2 \right) \\ \left( -w_1\bar{w}_2dw_1d\bar{w}_1 + (1 + w_1\bar{w}_1)dw_1d\bar{w}_2 - 2\bar{w}_2^2dw_1dw_2 \right) \\ + \left( -w_1\bar{w}_2dw_1d\bar{w}_1 + (1 + w_1\bar{w}_1)dw_1d\bar{w}_2 - 2\bar{w}_2^2dw_1dw_2 \right) \\ \left( (-1 - w_2\bar{w}_2)d\bar{w}_1dw_2 + 2\bar{w}^2dw_1dw_2 - \bar{w}_1w_2dw_2d\bar{w}_2 \right) \\ + \left( (1 + w_2\bar{w}_2)dw_1d\bar{w}_1 + 2w_1\bar{w}_2d\bar{w}_1dw_2 + 2\bar{w}_1\bar{w}_2dw_1dw_2 \right. \\ \left. - \bar{w}_1w_2dw_1d\bar{w}_2 + (2 + 2w_1\bar{w}_1)dw_2d\bar{w}_2 \right)^2 \end{array} \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{4\pi^2 R^4} \left( 6(1 + w_2\bar{w}_2)(1 + w_1\bar{w}_1)dw_1d\bar{w}_1dw_2d\bar{w}_2 - 6w_1\bar{w}_1w_2\bar{w}_2dw_1d\bar{w}_1dw_2d\bar{w}_2 \right) \\ &= -\frac{6}{4\pi^2 R^4} \left( 1 + w_1\bar{w}_1 + w_2\bar{w}_2 \right) dw_1d\bar{w}_1dw_2d\bar{w}_2 \\ &= -\frac{3}{2\pi^2 R^3} dw_1d\bar{w}_1dw_2d\bar{w}_2. \end{aligned}$$

The following integration will be useful for both cases:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2}{\pi^2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^4} \frac{dx_1 dx_2 dy_1 dy_2}{(1 + x_1^2 + y_1^2 + x_2^2 + y_2^2)^3} &= \frac{2}{\pi^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{r^3 dr}{(1 + r^2)^3} vol\mathbb{S}^3 \\ &= 4 \int_0^\infty \frac{r^3}{(1 + r^2)^3} dr \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 2 \int_1^\infty \frac{u-1}{u^3} du && \text{where } u = 1 + r^2 \\
&= 2 \int_1^\infty \left( \frac{1}{u^2} - \frac{1}{u^3} \right) du \\
&= 2 \left[ -\frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{2u^2} \right]_1^\infty \\
&= 1.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\mathbb{CP}^2} \left( \text{Tr} \left[ \frac{iF_A}{2\pi} \right] \right)^2 &= - \int_{U_1} \frac{9}{2\pi^2 R^3} dw_1 d\bar{w}_1 dw_2 d\bar{w}_2 \\
&= - \frac{9}{2\pi^2} \int_{\mathbb{C}^2} \frac{dw_1 d\bar{w}_1 dw_2 d\bar{w}_2}{(1 + w_1 \bar{w}_1 + w_2 \bar{w}_2)^3} \\
&= - \frac{9}{2\pi^2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^4} \frac{-4dx_1 dy_1 dx_2 dy_2}{(1 + x_1^2 + y_1^2 + x_2^2 + y_2^2)^3} \\
&= 9 \left( \frac{2}{\pi^2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^4} \frac{dx_1 dy_1 dx_2 dy_2}{(1 + x_1^2 + y_1^2 + x_2^2 + y_2^2)^3} \right) \\
&= 9
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\mathbb{CP}^2} \text{Tr} \left[ \frac{iF_A}{2\pi} \right]^2 &= - \int_{U_1} \frac{3}{2\pi^2 R^3} dw_1 d\bar{w}_1 dw_2 d\bar{w}_2 \\
&= - \frac{3}{2\pi^2} \int_{\mathbb{C}^2} \frac{dw_1 d\bar{w}_1 dw_2 d\bar{w}_2}{(1 + w_1 \bar{w}_1 + w_2 \bar{w}_2)^3} \\
&= - \frac{3}{2\pi^2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^4} \frac{-4dx_1 dy_1 dx_2 dy_2}{(1 + x_1^2 + y_1^2 + x_2^2 + y_2^2)^3} \\
&= 3 \left( \frac{2}{\pi^2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^4} \frac{dx_1 dy_1 dx_2 dy_2}{(1 + x_1^2 + y_1^2 + x_2^2 + y_2^2)^3} \right) \\
&= 3.
\end{aligned}$$