

Complete non-compact manifolds with holonomy G_2 and ALC asymptotics

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Example: 4d ALF hyperkähler metrics via the Gibbons–Hawking Ansatz

$$g_m = \left(m + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2|x - a_i|} \right) dx \cdot dx + \left(m + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2|x - a_i|} \right)^{-1} \theta^2$$

G_2 -manifolds and Calabi-Yau 3-folds

- smooth 7-manifold M endowed with a **G_2 -structure** φ
 - φ a positive 3-form

$$\frac{1}{6}(u \lrcorner \varphi) \wedge (v \lrcorner \varphi) \wedge \varphi = g_\varphi(u, v) \text{vol}_{g_\varphi}$$

(M, φ) is a **G_2 -manifold** if $d\varphi = 0 = d * \varphi$

$\rightsquigarrow \text{Hol}(g_\varphi) \subseteq G_2$ and $\text{Ric}(g_\varphi) = 0$

- smooth 6-manifold B endowed with an **$SU(3)$ -structure** (ω, Ω)
 - ω a non-degenerate 2-form
 - Ω a complex volume form \rightsquigarrow almost complex structure J
 - compatibility: $\omega \wedge \Omega = 0$ and $4\omega^3 = 3\Omega \wedge \bar{\Omega} \rightsquigarrow$ Riemannian metric $g_{\omega, \Omega}$

(B, ω, Ω) is a **Calabi-Yau 3-fold (CY)** if $d\omega = 0 = d\Omega$

- (B, ω, Ω) CY 3-fold $\implies M = B \times S^1$, $\varphi = dt \wedge \omega + \text{Re } \Omega$ G_2 -manifold

Infinitely many ALC G2 manifolds

Theorem

- $(B, g_{CY}, \omega, \Omega)$ **AC Calabi–Yau 3-fold**
 - $M \rightarrow B$ **principal circle bundle** with $c_1(M) \cup [\omega] = 0 \in H^4(B)$
- \implies **S¹-invariant ALC G₂-metric** g_ϵ on $M \forall \epsilon \ll 1$
with collapse with bounded curvature $(M, g_\epsilon) \xrightarrow{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} (B, g_{CY})$

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi &= \epsilon \theta \wedge \omega + h^{\frac{3}{4}} \operatorname{Re} \Omega, \\ * \varphi &= -\epsilon \theta \wedge h^{\frac{1}{4}} \operatorname{Im} \Omega + \frac{1}{2} h \omega^2 \quad g = \sqrt{h} g_B + \epsilon^2 h^{-1} \theta^2 \\ d\omega &= 0, \quad d\left(h^{\frac{3}{4}} \operatorname{Re} \Omega\right) + \epsilon d\theta \wedge \omega = 0, \\ d\left(h^{\frac{1}{4}} \operatorname{Im} \Omega\right) &= 0, \quad \frac{1}{2} dh \wedge \omega^2 - \epsilon h^{\frac{1}{4}} d\theta \wedge \operatorname{Im} \Omega = 0.\end{aligned}$$

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The **model** $BC(\Sigma)$ for an ALC G_2 manifold

- Σ is a **Sasaki–Einstein** 5-manifold
 \rightsquigarrow conical CY structure $\omega_C = d(\frac{1}{2}r^2\eta)$, Ω_C on $C(\Sigma)$
- Hermitian–Yang–Mills connection θ : $d\theta \wedge \omega_C^2 = 0 = d\theta \wedge \Omega_C$

model *closed* positive 3-form

$$\varphi_{BC} = \theta \wedge \omega_C + \operatorname{Re} \Omega_C - \frac{1}{2}r^2\eta \wedge d\theta$$

\rightsquigarrow consider torsion-free ALC G_2 structures φ with $\varphi = \varphi_{BC} + O(r^{-1-\delta})$

Moduli of ALC G_2 metrics – consequences

Theorem

The moduli space of torsion-free ALC G_2 structures on M^7 of rate $\nu < -1$ is a smooth manifold with tangent space at φ the space $\mathcal{H}_\nu^3(M, g_\varphi)$ of closed and g_φ -coclosed 3-forms with $O(r^\nu)$ decay.

Similar deformation theory in non-compact AC setting studied by Karigiannis–Lotay in 2020

Assume $\mathcal{H}_\nu^3 \rightarrow H^3(M) \times H^4(M)$ is an immersion

- ν sufficiently close to -3
- Σ is a *regular* Sasaki-Einstein 5-manifold

Consequences:

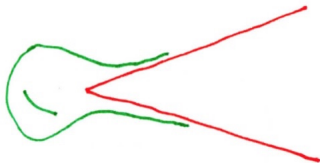
- continuous symmetries (isometries that preserve the G_2 structure) of $\text{BC}(\Sigma)$ extend to symmetries of $M \rightsquigarrow$ circle symmetry of **cyclic** ALC G_2 manifolds
cf. classification of 4d ALF hyperkähler spaces of cyclic type (Minerbe)
- (M, φ) cyclic ALC and $\text{BC}(\Sigma) \rightarrow \text{C}(\Sigma)$ flat circle bundle $\Rightarrow \text{Hol}(g_\varphi) \subsetneq G_2$
 $\gamma =$ harmonic 1-form dual to Killing field generating circle action

$$\|d\gamma\|_{L^2}^2 = - \int_M d\gamma \wedge d\gamma \wedge \varphi = 0 \implies \nabla\gamma = 0$$

Dihedral ALC manifolds?

Biquard–Minerbe: 4d ALF hyperkähler spaces of dihedral type

- dihedral **ALF orbifold** Taub–NUT/ Γ
 - Taub–NUT metric on \mathbb{R}^4 : $(1 + |x|^{-1}) dx \cdot dx + (1 + |x|^{-1})^{-1} \theta^2$, $d\theta = \text{vol}_{S^2}$
 - Γ = binary dihedral group acting on Taub–NUT as a hyperkähler symmetry
- desingularize by gluing in an **ALE** metric asymptotic to \mathbb{R}^4/Γ at ∞



Want an *applicable* G_2 **analogue** of this construction

- **conically singular ALC** G_2 space (M_0, φ_0)
singular points p_1, \dots, p_k modelled on G_2 cones $C(N_1), \dots, C(N_k)$
- **asymptotically conical** G_2 manifolds (M_i, φ_i) asymptotic to $C(N_i)$ at ∞

Similar desingularization in compact G_2 setting studied by Karigiannis in 2009

An example of a dihedral ALC G_2 manifold

Theorem

- ALC G_2 metric on $M_0 = \mathbb{R}_+ \times S^3 \times S^3$ with conical singularity modelled on C
- AC G_2 manifolds $M_{m,n}$ for all $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ coprime asymptotic to $C/\mathbb{Z}_{2(n+m)}$ with rate -3

- symmetries of ALC G_2 metric: $SU(2)^2 \times N$, $N = U(1) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$
 - cyclic $\mathbb{Z}_4 \subset U(1) \subset N$
 - **dihedral** $1 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_4 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2 \rightarrow 1$ in $1 \rightarrow U(1) \rightarrow N \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2 \rightarrow 1$
 - symmetries of G_2 cone C : $SU(2)^2 \times SU(2)$ so $C/\mathbb{Z}_4^{cyclic} \simeq C/\mathbb{Z}_4^{dihedral}$
 \rightsquigarrow use $M_{1,1}$ to desingularise $M_0/\mathbb{Z}_4^{cyclic}$ and $M_0/\mathbb{Z}_4^{dihedral}$
- \Rightarrow existence of **dihedral ALC G_2 manifolds**

Desingularizing conically singular ALC G_2 spaces

Theorem

- (M_0, φ_0) **conically singular ALC** G_2 space with singularities $\{p_i\}_{i=1}^k$ modelled on cones $C(N_1), \dots, C(N_k)$
- **AC G_2 manifold** (M_i, φ_i) asymptotic to $C(N_i)$ with rate $\nu_i \leq -3$
- **Topological conditions**
 - $([\varphi_1|_{\partial M_1}], \dots, [\varphi_k|_{\partial M_k}])$ lies in the image of

$$H^3(M_0) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{i=1}^k H^3(N_i) \oplus H^3(\partial_\infty M_0) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{i=1}^k H^3(N_i)$$

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\Rightarrow existence **ALC G_2 desingularizations** (M, φ_t) of (M_0, φ_0) for $t \ll 1$.

Ingredients of the proof

- (M_i, φ_i) AC G_2 manifold asymptotic to $C(N_i)$ with rate $\nu_i \leq -3$

$$\varphi_i = \varphi_C + \xi_i + d\zeta_i, \quad [\xi_i] \in H^3(\partial M_i)$$

$$*\varphi_i = *\varphi_C + \eta_i - *\xi_i + d\theta_i, \quad [\eta_i] \in H^4(\partial M_i)$$

- Necessary topological conditions guarantee existence of closed (and coclosed) forms ξ_0 and ζ_0 extending ξ_i and ζ_i to M_0

\rightsquigarrow **closed** G_2 structure φ'_t on $M = M_0 \# \bigsqcup_i M_i$ with *small torsion* $|d^*\varphi'_t| \ll 1$

- Joyce: look for torsion-free G_2 structure $\varphi'_t + d\sigma$ via iteration scheme

$$\Delta\sigma_j = d^*\chi_{j-1}$$

- In non-compact ALC setting

- Require φ'_t to have small and *decaying* torsion

$$d\chi = 0, \quad d^*\chi = d^*\varphi'_t, \quad \|\chi\|_{L^2} + \|d^*\chi\|_{C^0} \ll 1$$

- double indicial root -2 for $\Delta : \Omega^2 \rightarrow \Omega^2$ on a 6d cone

\rightsquigarrow can solve $\Delta\sigma_j = d^*\chi_{j-1}$ with $d\sigma_j \in L^2$ but non-optimal decay for σ_j