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08540, Zhiqin Lu, Irvine, CA, and Ken-Ichi Yoshikawa, Tokyo, Japan. Analytic torsion near singular Calabi-Yau three-folds. Preliminary report.

We construct a holomorphic invariant for the Calabi-Yau three-folds and study its asymptotic behavior near singular Calabi-Yau three-folds, especially Calabi-Yau varieties with only one ODP singularity. As a consequence, we prove a current curvature formula for a large class of Calabi-Yau moduli and discuss its application to number theory and mathematical physics. (Received January 30, 2005)