CLASSIFICATION OF COMPACT HOMOGENEOUS SPACES WITH INVARIANT SYMPLECTIC STRUCTURES

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ABSTRACT. We solve a longstanding problem of classification of compact homogeneous spaces with invariant symplectic structures. We also give a splitting conjecture on compact homogeneous spaces with symplectic structures (which are not necessarily invariant under the group action) that makes the classification of this kind of manifolds possible.

A smooth manifold M equipped with a smooth transitive action of a Lie group is called a *homogeneous space*. If in addition M is a symplectic manifold, we refer to it as a *homogeneous space with a symplectic structure* and, if the structure is invariant, a *homogeneous space with an invariant symplectic structure*.

Recently there has been much progress in the area of symplectic manifolds and group actions. However, the *classical* problem of classifying compact homogeneous spaces with symplectic structure is seemingly unreachable.

The paper [DG] did give us some hope in this direction and [Gu1], [Gu2], [Hk] provide a nice picture for compact complex homogeneous spaces with a symplectic structure. The following result can be found in [DG] (see also [Hk] for a "simpler" proof):

Proposition 1 ([DG], [Hk]). Every compact homogeneous pseudo-Kähler manifold is a product of a torus and a rational homogeneous space, both with standard pseudo-Kähler structures.

We note here that the proof of this result is more complicated than that of the Kähler case in [Mt], since in the Kähler case, by the compactness of the manifold, one can easily see that a compact Lie group acts transitively and the isotropy group is a subgroup of an orthogonal group, i.e., both groups are reductive.

In [Gu1], [Gu2] we observed that the method in [Hk] actually works for a compact complex homogeneous space with an invariant symplectic structure:

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Proposition 2. Every compact complex homogeneous space with an invariant symplectic structure is a product of a torus and a rational homogeneous space, both with standard symplectic structures.

And we also proved the following theorem:

Proposition 3. Every compact homogeneous complex manifold with a 2-cohomology class ω such that ω^n is not zero in the top cohomology is a product of a rational homogeneous space and a complex parallelizable solv-manifold with a right invariant symplectic structure on its universal covering.

This generalized the result of [BR] for the Kähler case (one does not assume that the Kähler form is invariant).

These results suggest further study in two directions along the lines of Proposition 3. One is the classification of compact complex homogeneous spaces; the other is the classification of compact homogeneous spaces with a symplectic structure. The first problem can be solved by the method in [Gu3], where we prove that every compact complex homogeneous space with an invariant volume is a torus fiber bundle over a product of a rational homogeneous space and a complex parallelizable manifold. In the present paper we announce our result in the direction of the second problem. This is quite analogous to the results in [Gu1], [Gu2]:

Main Theorem. Every compact homogeneous space with an invariant symplectic structure is a product of a rational homogeneous space and a torus with invariant symplectic structures.

In this classification, the tori which occur are not necessarily standard. One might use such a nonstandard torus to obtain new symplectic manifolds as in [Bo] and [Gu1]. The following conjecture arises naturally from our arguments for the proof of the above theorem:

Conjecture. If G/H is a compact homogeneous space with a symplectic structure, then G/H is a product of a rational homogeneous space and a compact locally flat parallelizable manifold with a symplectic structure.

Here we call a manifold N locally flat parallelizable if N = G/H for a simply connected Lie group G which is diffeomorphic to \mathbf{R}^k for some integer k and H is a uniform discrete subgroup.

In our future work we will attempt to prove this conjecture and to classify the compact locally flat parallelizable manifolds with this additional structure.

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