

Infinitesimal variations of Hodge structure at infinity

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- *Technicality*: must restrict to the primitive cohomology $H^k(X, \mathbb{C})_0$.

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$$\check{D} = G_{\mathbb{C}}/P \quad \text{and} \quad D = G/B$$

where $G_{\mathbb{C}} := O(H \otimes \mathbb{C}, Q)$ and $G = O(H, Q)$.

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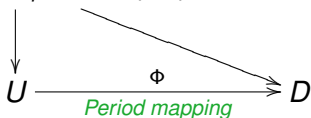
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- Infinitesimal level: the subspaces $E \subset T_{H_0} D$ that are tangent to VHS are called *infinitesimal variations of Hodge structure, IVHS*.

$$\{IVHS\} \leftrightarrow \{\text{abelian subspaces of } \mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1,1}\}.$$

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- the HS of weight $k + l$ induced by F^* on $\ker(N^{l+1} : Gr_{k+l}^{W_*} \rightarrow Gr_{k-l-2}^{W_*})$ is polarized by $Q(\cdot, N^l \cdot)$.

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$j^{*,*}$	nilpotent cones	max dim IVI
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