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Theorem (Demailly, 1985)

Let $M$ be a complex manifold of dimension $n$. If there a $C^4$ strictly plurisubharmonic exhaustion $\varphi : M \to [0, \infty]$ such that:

- $\int (dd^c \varphi)^n < \infty$
- Critical points of $\varphi$ is finite
- There exists a continuous function $\psi : M \to \mathbb{R}$ with $\exists \ a > 0$ and $b > 0 : \psi \leq a \varphi + b$
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\[ U^\mu(z) = \int \ln |z - w| d\mu(w) \]

be the potential corresponding to \( \mu \).

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The potential \( U^\mu \) is subharmonic on \( \mathbb{C} \), harmonic off \( K \), \( U^\mu(z) = -\infty \) on \( K \) and

\[ \lim_{z \to K} \frac{U^\mu(z)}{\ln \text{dist}(z, K)} = 0. \]

**THE EXAMPLE**

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The existence of a tame linear extension operator as above is of course related to the tame splitting of tame short exact sequence:

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where \( R \) is the restriction operator and \( I \) is the ideal sheaf of \( V \) with the subspace grading induced from \( O(X) \). Tame splitting of short exact sequences in the category of graded Fréchet spaces were studied by various authors. We refer to (Popenberg) for a survey and for structural conditions on the underlying Fréchet nuclear spaces which ensure that short exact sequences in this category split.
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