76. Some Results in the Classification Theory of Compact Complex Manifolds in C

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0. By definition a compact complex manifold X is in C if there exist a compact Kähler manifold Z and a surjective meromorphic map $h: Z \rightarrow X$ [1]. The purpose of this note is then to report some results on the structure of manifolds in C. Details will appear elsewhere.

In what follows X, Y, Z, etc. always denote compact connected complex manifolds in C. We set $q(X) = \dim H^1(X, O_X)$ and a(X) = the algebraic dimension of X [2]. Let $f: X \to Y$ be a holomorphic map. For any open subset $U \subseteq Y$ we write $X_U = f^{-1}(U)$ and $f_U = f|_{X_U}$, and write $X_v = f^{-1}(y)$ for $y \in Y$. We call f a fiber space if f is proper and surjective and has connected fibers. Suppose that f is a fiber space. Then we set dim $f = \dim X - \dim Y$, and $q(f) = q(X_v)$ for any smooth fiber X_v . Further any fiber space $f^*: X^* \to Y^*$ which is bimeromorphic to f is called a *bimeromorphic model* of f.

1. Let $f: X \to Y$ be a fiber space and U a Zariski open subset of Y over which f is smooth. For any integer $k \ge 0$ we set $A_k = \{u \in U; a(X_u) \ge k\}$.

Proposition 1. A_k is a union of at most countably many analytic subsets of U whose closures are analytic in Y.

Let $a(f) = \max \{k; A_k = U\}$, so that $a(X_u) = a(f)$ for 'general' $u \in U$. We call a(f) the relative algebraic dimension of f. By Proposition 1 a(f) depends only on the bimeromorphic equivalence class of f. Clearly $0 \le a(f) \le \dim f$.

Proposition 2. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and U be as above. Then the following conditions are equivalent. 1) $a(f) = \dim f$, 2) $f_U: X_U \rightarrow U$ is locally Moishezon, and 3) there exists a bimeromorphic model $f^*: X^* \rightarrow Y^*$ of f which is locally Moishezon.

Here a morphism $g: X \to Y$ is called *locally Moishezon* if for each $y \in Y$ there exists a neighborhood $y \in V$ such that $g_v: X_v \to V$ is Moishezon, i.e., bimeromorphic over V to a projective morphism.

Definition 1. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a fiber space. Then a relative algebraic reduction of f is a commutative diagram

