

On Twisted Microdifferential Modules I. Non-existence of Twisted Wave Equations[†]

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Abstract

Using the notion of subprincipal symbol, we give a necessary condition for the existence of twisted \mathcal{D} -modules simple along a smooth involutive submanifold of the cotangent bundle to a complex manifold. As an application, we prove that there are no generalized massless field equations with non-trivial twist on grassmannians, and in particular that the Penrose transform does not extend to the twisted case.

Introduction

Let \mathbb{T} be a 4-dimensional complex vector space, \mathbb{P} the 3-dimensional projective space of lines in \mathbb{T} , and \mathbb{G} the 4-dimensional grassmannian of 2-planes in \mathbb{T} . According to Penrose, \mathbb{G} is a conformal compactification of the complexified Minkowski space. Denote by $\mathcal{M}_{(h)}$ the $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{G}}$ -modules associated with the massless field equations of helicity $h \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}$. The Penrose correspondence realizes $\mathcal{M}_{(1+m/2)}$ as the transform of the $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{P}}$ -module associated with the line bundle $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(m)$, for $m \in \mathbb{Z}$. For $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(\lambda)$ makes sense in the theory of twisted sheaves. It is then a natural question to ask whether the Penrose correspondence extends to the twisted case. In particular, are there “massless field equations” of complex helicity $h \notin \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}$?

The $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{G}}$ -modules $\mathcal{M}_{(h)}$ are simple along a smooth involutive submanifold V of the cotangent bundle to \mathbb{G} which is given by the geometry of the integral

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transform. In this paper we give a negative answer to the question raised above: for topological reasons, there are no simple $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{G}}$ -modules along V with non-trivial twist. Indeed, this is a corollary of the following more general result.

Let X be a complex manifold, and V a conic involutive submanifold of its cotangent bundle. Denote by $\mathcal{D}_{\Omega_{V/X}^{1/2}}$ the ring of differential operators on V acting on relative half-forms and by $\mathcal{D}_{\Omega_{V/X}^{1/2}}^{bic}(0)$ its subring of operators homogeneous of degree 0 and commuting with the functions which are locally constant on the bicharacteristic leaves. The ring of microdifferential operators \mathcal{E}_X is endowed with the so-called V -filtration $\{F_k^V \mathcal{E}_X\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ and by a result of Kashiwara-Oshima, there is a natural isomorphism of rings $F_0^V \mathcal{E}_X / F_{-1}^V \mathcal{E}_X \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{D}_{\Omega_{V/X}^{1/2}}^{bic}(0)$.

Let \mathfrak{S} be a stack of twisted sheaves on X , and consider the category of twisted microdifferential modules $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{E}_X; \mathfrak{S})$. One says that a twisted microdifferential module is simple along V if it can be endowed with a good V -filtration whose associated graded module is locally isomorphic to $\mathcal{O}_V(0)$.

Let Σ be a smooth bicharacteristic leaf of V . Recall that stacks of twisted sheaves on X are classified by $H^2(X; \mathbb{C}_X^\times)$, and denote by $[\mathfrak{S}]$ the class of \mathfrak{S} . Our main result (see Theorem 7.1) consists in associating to $[\mathfrak{S}]$ a class in $H^2(\Sigma; \mathbb{C}_\Sigma^\times)$ whose triviality is a necessary condition for the existence of a globally simple module along V in $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{E}_X; \mathfrak{S})$.

Let us briefly describe our construction. Let \mathcal{M} be a globally simple module along V in $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{E}_X; \mathfrak{S})$. By definition, \mathcal{M} has a good V -filtration, and we denote by $\overline{\mathcal{M}}$ its associated graded module.

- (i) By Kashiwara-Oshima's result mentioned above, we consider $\overline{\mathcal{M}}$ as an object of $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_V^{bic}(0); \mathfrak{T})$. Here, \mathfrak{T} is a stack of twisted sheaves on V whose class $[\mathfrak{T}] \in H^2(V; \mathbb{C}_V^\times)$ is the product of the pull back of $[\mathfrak{S}]$ by the class of the stack containing the inverse relative half-forms $\Omega_{V/X}^{-1/2}$.
- (ii) The restriction $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_\Sigma$ of $\overline{\mathcal{M}}$ to Σ is a line bundle with flat connection in the category of twisted differential modules $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_\Sigma; \mathfrak{U})$, where \mathfrak{U} is a stack of twisted sheaves on Σ whose class $[\mathfrak{U}] \in H^2(\Sigma; \mathbb{C}_\Sigma^\times)$ is the restriction of $[\mathfrak{T}]$.
- (iii) By the Riemann-Hilbert correspondence, $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_\Sigma$ is associated with a local system of rank one in $\mathfrak{U}(\Sigma)$. Since there are no local systems of rank one with non-trivial twist, the triviality of $[\mathfrak{U}]$ is a necessary condition for the existence of a globally simple module along V in $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{E}_X; \mathfrak{S})$.

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§1. Review of Twisted Sheaves

In this section we briefly review the notion of twisted sheaves. References are made to [7, 8], see also [2].

Let X be a complex analytic manifold, \mathcal{O}_X its structure sheaf, and denote by \mathbb{C}_X the constant sheaf with stalk \mathbb{C} . If \mathcal{A} is a sheaf of \mathbb{C} -algebras on X , we denote by $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{A})$ the category of sheaves of \mathcal{A} -modules on X and by $\mathfrak{Mod}(\mathcal{A})$ the corresponding \mathbb{C} -stack, $U \mapsto \text{Mod}(\mathcal{A}|_U)$. We denote by \mathcal{A}^\times the sheaf of invertible sections of \mathcal{A} .

The short exact sequence of abelian groups

$$1 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_X^\times \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X^\times \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X^\times / \mathbb{C}_X^\times \rightarrow 1$$

induces the exact sequence

$$(1.1) \quad H^1(X; \mathbb{C}_X^\times) \xrightarrow{\alpha} H^1(X; \mathcal{O}_X^\times) \xrightarrow{\beta} H^1(X; \mathcal{O}_X^\times / \mathbb{C}_X^\times) \xrightarrow{\delta} H^2(X; \mathbb{C}_X^\times).$$

Note that the isomorphism $d \log: \mathcal{O}_X^\times / \mathbb{C}_X^\times \xrightarrow{\sim} d\mathcal{O}_X$ induces an isomorphism

$$(1.2) \quad \iota: H^1(X; \mathcal{O}_X^\times / \mathbb{C}_X^\times) \xrightarrow{\sim} H^1(X; d\mathcal{O}_X).$$

The \mathbb{C} -vector space structure of $H^1(X; d\mathcal{O}_X)$ thus gives a meaning to $\lambda \cdot c$ for $c \in H^1(X; \mathcal{O}_X^\times / \mathbb{C}_X^\times)$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$.

We will consider several characteristic classes with values in these cohomology groups.

- A local system is a \mathbb{C}_X -module locally free of finite rank. To a local system L of rank one corresponds a class $[L] \in H^1(X; \mathbb{C}_X^\times)$ which characterizes L up to isomorphisms of \mathbb{C}_X -modules.
- A line bundle is an \mathcal{O}_X -module locally free of rank one. To a line bundle \mathcal{L} on X corresponds a class $[\mathcal{L}] \in H^1(X; \mathcal{O}_X^\times)$ which characterizes \mathcal{L} up to isomorphisms of \mathcal{O}_X -modules.
- A stack of twisted sheaves is a \mathbb{C} -stack locally \mathbb{C} -equivalent to $\mathfrak{Mod}(\mathbb{C}_X)$. To a stack of twisted sheaves \mathfrak{S} corresponds a class $[\mathfrak{S}] \in H^2(X; \mathbb{C}_X^\times)$ which characterizes \mathfrak{S} up to \mathbb{C} -equivalences. Objects of $\mathfrak{S}(X)$ are called twisted sheaves.

Recall that $[\mathfrak{S}]$ has the following description using Čech cohomology. Let $X = \bigcup_i U_i$ be an open covering such that there are \mathbb{C} -equivalences $\varphi_i: \mathfrak{S}|_{U_i} \rightarrow \mathfrak{Mod}(\mathbb{C}_{U_i})$. By Morita theory, the auto-equivalences $\varphi_i \circ \varphi_j^{-1}$ of $\mathfrak{Mod}(\mathbb{C}_{U_{ij}})$ are

given by $G \mapsto G \otimes L_{ij}$ for a local system L_{ij} of rank one. By refining the covering we may assume that $L_{ij} \simeq \mathbb{C}_{U_{ij}}$. The isomorphisms $L_{ij} \otimes L_{jk} \simeq L_{ik}$ on U_{ijk} are then multiplication by locally constant functions $c_{ijk} \in \Gamma(U_{ijk}; \mathbb{C}_X^\times)$. The class $[\mathfrak{S}]$ is described by the Čech cocycle $\{c_{ijk}\}$. A twisted sheaf $F \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$ is then described by a family of sheaves $F_i \in \text{Mod}(\mathbb{C}_{U_i})$ and isomorphisms $\theta_{ij}: F_j|_{U_{ij}} \rightarrow F_i|_{U_{ij}}$ satisfying $\theta_{ij} \circ \theta_{jk} = c_{ijk}\theta_{ik}$.

Let \mathfrak{S} be a stack of twisted sheaves on X and let \mathcal{A} be a sheaf of \mathbb{C} -algebras on X . We denote by $\mathfrak{Mod}(\mathcal{A}; \mathfrak{S})$ the stack of left \mathcal{A} -modules in \mathfrak{S} .

- A twisted line bundle is a pair $(\mathfrak{S}, \mathcal{F})$ of a stack of twisted sheaves \mathfrak{S} and an object $\mathcal{F} \in \text{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_X; \mathfrak{S})$ locally free of rank one over \mathcal{O}_X . To a twisted line bundle corresponds a class $[\mathfrak{S}, \mathcal{F}] \in H^1(X; \mathcal{O}_X^\times/\mathbb{C}_X^\times)$ which characterizes it up to the following equivalence relation: two twisted line bundles $(\mathfrak{S}, \mathcal{F})$ and $(\mathfrak{T}, \mathcal{G})$ are equivalent if there exist a \mathbb{C} -equivalence $\varphi: \mathfrak{S} \rightarrow \mathfrak{T}$ and an isomorphism $\varphi(\mathcal{F}) \simeq \mathcal{G}$ in $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_X; \mathfrak{T})$.

Let $(\mathfrak{S}, \mathcal{F})$ be a twisted line bundle and let $X = \bigcup_i U_i$ be an open covering such that there are \mathbb{C} -equivalences $\varphi_i: \mathfrak{S}|_{U_i} \rightarrow \mathfrak{Mod}(\mathbb{C}_{U_i})$, and denote by $\{c_{ijk}\}$ the Čech cocycle of $[\mathfrak{S}]$. These induce equivalences $\varphi_i: \mathfrak{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_{U_i}; \mathfrak{S}|_{U_i}) \rightarrow \mathfrak{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_{U_i})$ and \mathcal{F} is described by a family of line bundles $\mathcal{F}_i \in \text{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_{U_i})$ and isomorphisms $\theta_{ij}: \mathcal{F}_j|_{U_{ij}} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_i|_{U_{ij}}$. By refining the covering, we may assume that there are nowhere vanishing sections $s_i \in \Gamma(U_i; \mathcal{F}_i)$, so that $\mathcal{F}_i \simeq \mathcal{O}_{U_i}$. Hence θ_{ij} are multiplications by the sections $f_{ij} = s_i/\theta_{ij}(s_j) \in \Gamma(U_{ij}; \mathcal{O}_X^\times)$, so that $f_{ij}f_{jk} = c_{ijk}f_{ik}$. The class $[\mathfrak{S}, \mathcal{F}]$ in $H^1(X; \mathbb{C}_X^\times \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X^\times)$ is thus described by the Čech hyper-cocycle $\{f_{ij}, c_{ijk}\}$.

The characteristic classes constructed above are related (up to sign) as follows, using the exact sequence (1.1):

1. if L is a local system of rank one, then $\alpha([L]) = [L \otimes \mathcal{O}_X]$,
2. if \mathcal{L} is a line bundle, then $\beta([\mathcal{L}]) = [\mathfrak{Mod}(\mathbb{C}_X), \mathcal{L}]$,
3. if $(\mathfrak{S}, \mathcal{F})$ is a twisted line bundle, then $\delta([\mathfrak{S}, \mathcal{F}]) = [\mathfrak{S}]$.

The next result will play an essential role in the proof of Theorem 7.1. It immediately follows from the Morita theory for stacks.

Proposition 1.1. *A stack of twisted sheaves \mathfrak{S} is globally \mathbb{C} -equivalent to $\mathfrak{Mod}(\mathbb{C}_X)$ if and only if there exists an object $F \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$ locally free of rank one over \mathbb{C} .*

Example 1. For \mathcal{L} an untwisted line bundle, and $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, there is a twisted line bundle $(\mathfrak{S}_{\mathcal{L}^\lambda}, \mathcal{L}^\lambda)$ whose class $[\mathfrak{S}_{\mathcal{L}^\lambda}, \mathcal{L}^\lambda]$ is described as follows. Let

$X = \bigcup_i U_i$ be an open covering such that there are nowhere vanishing sections $s_i \in \Gamma(U_i; \mathcal{L})$, and set $g_{ij} = s_i/s_j$. Choose a determination f_{ij} for the ramified function g_{ij}^λ on U_{ij} . Then $f_{ij}f_{jk}$ and f_{ik} are different determinations of g_{ik}^λ , so that $f_{ij}f_{jk} = c_{ijk}f_{ik}$ for some $c_{ijk} \in \Gamma(U_{ijk}; \mathbb{C}_X^\times)$. Then $[\mathfrak{S}_{\mathcal{L}^\lambda}, \mathcal{L}^\lambda]$ is described by the Čech hyper-cocycle $\{f_{ij}, c_{ijk}\}$. Since $d \log f_{ij} = \lambda d \log g_{ij}$, we have

$$[\mathfrak{S}_{\mathcal{L}^\lambda}, \mathcal{L}^\lambda] = \lambda \cdot \beta([\mathcal{L}]) \quad \text{in } H^1(X; \mathcal{O}_X^\times / \mathbb{C}_X^\times),$$

where the action of λ on $\beta([\mathcal{L}])$ is induced by the isomorphism (1.2). Note that \mathcal{L}^λ is unique up to tensoring by a local system of rank one.

Consider two stacks \mathfrak{S} and \mathfrak{S}' of twisted sheaves on X (here, X is simply a topological space, or even a site). There are stacks of twisted sheaves $\mathfrak{S} \circledast \mathfrak{S}'$ and $\mathfrak{S}^{\circledast -1}$ on X such that if $F \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$ and $F' \in \mathfrak{S}'(X)$ are twisted sheaves, then $F \otimes F' \in (\mathfrak{S} \circledast \mathfrak{S}')(X)$ and if F is a local system of rank one, then $F^{-1} = \mathcal{H}om(F, \mathbb{C}_X) \in \mathfrak{S}^{\circledast -1}$. Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} [\mathfrak{S} \circledast \mathfrak{S}'] &= [\mathfrak{S}] \cdot [\mathfrak{S}'] \\ [\mathfrak{S}^{\circledast -1}] &= ([\mathfrak{S}])^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

If $f: Y \rightarrow X$ is a morphism of topological spaces (or of sites), there exists a stack of twisted sheaves $f^{\circledast} \mathfrak{S}$ on Y such that if $F \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$, then $f^{-1}F \in (f^{\circledast} \mathfrak{S})(Y)$. Moreover,

$$[f^{\circledast} \mathfrak{S}] = f^\#([\mathfrak{S}]).$$

Here, for $\mathfrak{t}, \mathfrak{t}' \in H^2(X; \mathbb{C}_X^\times)$, we denote by $\mathfrak{t} \cdot \mathfrak{t}'$ and \mathfrak{t}^{-1} the product and the inverse in $H^2(X; \mathbb{C}_X^\times)$, respectively, and by $f^\# \mathfrak{t} \in H^2(Y; \mathbb{C}_Y^\times)$ the pull-back.

Let $(\mathfrak{S}_{\mathcal{F}}, \mathcal{F})$ and $(\mathfrak{S}_{\mathcal{G}}, \mathcal{G})$ be twisted line bundles on X , and consider the associated twisted line bundles $(\mathfrak{S}_{\mathcal{F}^{-1}}, \mathcal{F}^{-1})$ and $(\mathfrak{S}_{\mathcal{F} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{G}}, \mathcal{F} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{G})$ on X , and $(\mathfrak{S}_{f^* \mathcal{F}}, f^* \mathcal{F})$ on Y . Then there are \mathbb{C} -equivalences

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{S}_{\mathcal{F}^{-1}} &\simeq \mathfrak{S}_{\mathcal{F}}^{\circledast -1}, \\ \mathfrak{S}_{\mathcal{F} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{G}} &\simeq \mathfrak{S}_{\mathcal{F}} \circledast \mathfrak{S}_{\mathcal{G}}, \\ \mathfrak{S}_{f^* \mathcal{F}} &\simeq f^{\circledast} \mathfrak{S}_{\mathcal{F}}. \end{aligned}$$

§2. Review of Twisted Differential Operators

In this section we briefly review the notions of twisted differential operators. References are made to [7, 1] (see also [2] for an exposition).

Let X be a complex analytic manifold, and \mathcal{D}_X the sheaf of finite order differential operators on X . Recall that automorphisms of \mathcal{D}_X as an \mathcal{O}_X -ring are described by closed one-forms.

- A ring of twisted differential operators (a t.d.o. ring for short) is a sheaf of \mathcal{O}_X -rings locally isomorphic to \mathcal{D}_X . To a t.d.o. ring \mathcal{A} corresponds a class $[\mathcal{A}] \in H^1(X; d\mathcal{O}_X)$ which characterizes \mathcal{A} up to isomorphism of \mathcal{O}_X -rings.

Let $(\mathfrak{S}, \mathcal{F})$ be a twisted line bundle. An example of t.d.o. ring is given by

$$\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{F} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{D}_X \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{F}^{-1},$$

where $\mathcal{F}^{-1} = \mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{O}_X)$. Notice that $\mathcal{F}^{-1} \in \text{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_X; \mathfrak{S}^{\otimes -1})$, so that $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{F}}$ is untwisted as a sheaf.

As we recalled, a twisted line bundle $(\mathfrak{S}, \mathcal{F})$ can be described by an open covering $X = \bigcup_i U_i$, \mathbb{C} -equivalences $\varphi_i: \mathfrak{S}|_{U_i} \rightarrow \mathfrak{M}od(\mathbb{C}_{U_i})$, line bundles $\mathcal{F}_i \in \text{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_{U_i})$, and isomorphisms $\theta_{ij}: \mathcal{F}_j|_{U_{ij}} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_i|_{U_{ij}}$. For nowhere vanishing sections $s_i \in \Gamma(U_i; \mathcal{F}_i)$, and $f_{ij} = s_i/\theta_{ij}(s_j) \in \Gamma(U_{ij}; \mathcal{O}_X^\times)$, sections of $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{F}}$ are described by families $s_i \otimes P_i \otimes s_i^{-1}$, where $P_i \in \Gamma(U_i; \mathcal{D}_X)$ and

$$(2.1) \quad P_i = f_{ji} \cdot P_j \cdot f_{ij} \quad \text{in } \Gamma(U_{ij}; \mathcal{D}_X).$$

The isomorphism ι in (1.2) is then described by $\iota([\mathfrak{S}, \mathcal{F}]) = [\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{F}}]$. In particular, to any t.d.o. ring \mathcal{A} is associated a twisted line bundle \mathcal{F} , unique up to tensoring by a local system of rank one, such that $\mathcal{A} \simeq \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{F}}$ as an \mathcal{O}_X -ring.

Let $(\mathfrak{S}, \mathcal{F})$ be a twisted line bundle and \mathfrak{T} a stack of twisted sheaves on X . There is a \mathbb{C} -equivalence

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathfrak{M}od(\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{F}}; \mathfrak{T}) &\rightarrow \mathfrak{M}od(\mathcal{D}_X; \mathfrak{S}^{\otimes -1} \otimes \mathfrak{T}) \\ \mathcal{M} &\mapsto \mathcal{F}^{-1} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{M}. \end{aligned}$$

Denote by Θ_X the sheaf of vector fields and by Ω_X the sheaf of forms of maximal degree. We end this section by giving an explicit description, which will be of use later on, of the t.d.o. ring $\mathcal{D}_{\Omega_X^\lambda}$ for $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$. Let $v \in \Theta_X$. Recall that the Lie derivative $L(v)$ acts on differential forms of any degree, in particular on \mathcal{O}_X , where $L(v)(a) = v(a)$, and on Ω_X . Let ω be a nowhere vanishing local section of Ω_X . One checks that the morphism

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{aligned} L^{(\lambda)}: \Theta_X &\rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{\Omega_X^\lambda} = \Omega_X^\lambda \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{D}_X \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \Omega_X^{-\lambda} \\ v &\mapsto \omega^\lambda \otimes \left(v + \lambda \frac{L(v)(\omega)}{\omega} \right) \otimes \omega^{-\lambda} \end{aligned}$$

is well defined and independent from the choice of ω . (Here $L(v)(\omega)/\omega = a$, where $a \in \mathcal{O}_X$ is such that $L(v)(\omega) = a\omega$.) Then $\mathcal{D}_{\Omega_X^\lambda}$ is generated by \mathcal{O}_X and $L^{(\lambda)}(\Theta_X)$ with the relations

$$(2.4) \quad L^{(\lambda)}(av) = a \cdot L^{(\lambda)}(v) + \lambda v(a),$$

$$(2.5) \quad [L^{(\lambda)}(v), a] = v(a),$$

$$(2.6) \quad [L^{(\lambda)}(v), L^{(\lambda)}(w)] = L^{(\lambda)}([v, w]),$$

for $a \in \mathcal{O}_X$, and $v, w \in \Theta_X$. Of course, $L^{(0)}(v) = v$ and $L^{(1)}(v) = L(v)$.

§3. Microdifferential Operators on Involutive Submanifolds

In this section we recall the notion of V -filtration on microdifferential operators. References are made to [11, 12] (see also [6, 9, 13] for expositions).

Let W be a complex manifold. In this paper, by a submanifold of W , we mean a smooth locally closed complex submanifold.

Let X be a complex manifold, and denote by $\pi: T^*X \rightarrow X$ its cotangent bundle. Identifying X with the zero-section of T^*X , one sets $\dot{T}^*X = T^*X \setminus X$.

The canonical 1-form α_X induces a homogeneous symplectic structure on T^*X . Denote by $\{f, g\} \in \mathcal{O}_{T^*X}$ the Poisson bracket of two functions $f, g \in \mathcal{O}_{T^*X}$ and by

$$H: T^*T^*X \xrightarrow{\sim} TT^*X$$

the Hamiltonian isomorphism. For $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, denote by $\mathcal{O}_{T^*X}(k) \subset \mathcal{O}_{T^*X}$ the subsheaf of functions φ homogeneous of order k , that is, satisfying $eu(\varphi) = k \cdot \varphi$. Here, $eu = -H(\alpha_X)$ denotes the Euler vector field on T^*X , the infinitesimal generator of the action of \mathbb{C}^\times .

Denote by \mathcal{E}_X the ring of microdifferential operators on T^*X . It is endowed with the order filtration $\{F_m \mathcal{E}_X\}_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}$, where $F_m \mathcal{E}_X$ is the subsheaf of microdifferential operators of order at most m . There is a canonical morphism

$$\sigma_m: F_m \mathcal{E}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{T^*X}(m)$$

called the principal symbol of order m . This morphism induces an isomorphism of graded rings $\mathcal{G}r \mathcal{E}_X \simeq \bigoplus_k \mathcal{O}_{T^*X}(k)$. If $P \in F_m \mathcal{E}_X$, $Q \in F_l \mathcal{E}_X$, one has

$$(3.1) \quad \sigma_{m+l}(PQ) = \sigma_m(P)\sigma_l(Q),$$

$$(3.2) \quad \sigma_{m+l-1}([P, Q]) = \{\sigma_m(P), \sigma_l(Q)\}.$$

Let $V \subset T^*X$ be a submanifold and denote by $\mathcal{J}_V \subset \mathcal{O}_{T^*X}$ its annihilating ideal. Recall that V is called homogeneous, or conic, if $eu \mathcal{J}_V \subset \mathcal{J}_V$. In this

case, $eu_V := eu|_V$ is tangent to V , and one defines $\mathcal{O}_V(k) \subset \mathcal{O}_V$ similarly to $\mathcal{O}_{T^*X}(k) \subset \mathcal{O}_{T^*X}$. A conic submanifold $V \subset T^*X$ is called involutive if for any pair $f, g \in \mathcal{J}_V$ of holomorphic functions vanishing on V , the Poisson bracket $\{f, g\}$ vanishes on V . A conic involutive submanifold V is called regular if $\alpha_X|_V$ never vanishes.

Let $V \subset T^*X$ be a conic involutive submanifold, and set

$$\mathcal{I}_V = \{P \in F_1\mathcal{E}_X|_V; \sigma_1(P)|_V = 0\} \subset \mathcal{E}_X|_V.$$

Note that $[\mathcal{I}_V, \mathcal{I}_V] \subset \mathcal{I}_V$.

Definition 3.1. Let $V \subset T^*X$ be a conic involutive submanifold. One denotes by \mathcal{E}_V the subring of $\mathcal{E}_X|_V$ generated by \mathcal{I}_V , and one sets $F_m^V\mathcal{E}_X := F_m\mathcal{E}_X|_V \cdot \mathcal{E}_V$.

One easily checks that $F_m^V\mathcal{E}_X = \mathcal{E}_V \cdot F_m\mathcal{E}_X|_V$, and $F_m^V\mathcal{E}_X \cdot F_l^V\mathcal{E}_X \subset F_{m+l}^V\mathcal{E}_X$. In particular, $\{F_k^V\mathcal{E}_X\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is an exhaustive filtration of $\mathcal{E}_X|_V$, called the V -filtration, and $F_{-1}^V\mathcal{E}_X$ is a two-sided ideal of $\mathcal{E}_V = F_0^V\mathcal{E}_X$.

Example 2. Let $(x) = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ be a local coordinate system on X and denote by $(x; \xi) = (x_1, \dots, x_n; \xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)$ the associated homogeneous symplectic local coordinate system on T^*X . Recall that locally, any conic regular involutive submanifold V of codimension d may be written after a homogeneous symplectic transformation as:

$$V = \{(x; \xi); \xi_1 = \dots = \xi_d = 0\}.$$

In such a case,

$$F_m^V\mathcal{E}_X \simeq (F_m\mathcal{E}_X|_V)[\partial_{x_1}, \dots, \partial_{x_d}].$$

§4. Systems with Simple Characteristics

In this section we recall the notion of systems with simple characteristics. References are made to [11, 12]. See also [9, 13] for an exposition.

Definition 4.1. Let \mathcal{M} be a coherent \mathcal{E}_X -module. A lattice in \mathcal{M} is a coherent $F_0\mathcal{E}_X$ -submodule \mathcal{M}_0 which generates \mathcal{M} over \mathcal{E}_X .

Recall that if an $F_0\mathcal{E}_X$ -submodule \mathcal{M}_0 of \mathcal{M} defined on an open subset of T^*X is locally of finite type, then it is coherent. A lattice \mathcal{M}_0 endows \mathcal{M} with the filtration

$$F_k\mathcal{M} = F_k\mathcal{E}_X \cdot \mathcal{M}_0.$$

If \mathcal{M} is endowed with a filtration $\{\mathbf{F}_k\mathcal{M}\}_k$, its associated symbol module is given by

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{G}r}(\mathcal{M}) := \mathcal{O}_{T^*X} \otimes_{\mathcal{G}r(\mathcal{E}_X)} \mathcal{G}r(\mathcal{M}),$$

where $\mathcal{G}r(\mathcal{M}) = \bigoplus_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} (\mathbf{F}_k\mathcal{M}/\mathbf{F}_{k-1}\mathcal{M})$.

Definition 4.2. Let $V \subset \dot{T}^*X$ be a conic involutive submanifold.

- (a) A coherent \mathcal{E}_X -module \mathcal{M} is simple along V if it is locally generated by a section $u \in \mathcal{M}$, called a simple generator, such that denoting by \mathcal{I}_u the annihilator ideal of u in \mathcal{E}_X , the symbol ideal $\widetilde{\mathcal{G}r}(\mathcal{I}_u)$ is reduced and coincides with the annihilator ideal \mathcal{J}_V of V in \mathcal{O}_{T^*X} .
- (b) A coherent \mathcal{E}_X -module \mathcal{M} is globally simple along V if it admits a lattice \mathcal{M}_0 such that $\mathcal{E}_V\mathcal{M}_0 \subset \mathcal{M}_0$ and $\mathcal{M}_0/\mathbf{F}_{-1}\mathcal{M}$ is locally isomorphic to $\mathcal{O}_V(0)$. Such an \mathcal{M}_0 is called a V -lattice in \mathcal{M} .

Lemma 4.1. *If \mathcal{M} is globally simple, then it is simple.*

Proof. Let \mathcal{M}_0 be a V -lattice. Choose a local section $u \in \mathcal{M}_0$ whose image in $\mathcal{M}_0/\mathbf{F}_{-1}\mathcal{M}$ is a generator of $\mathcal{O}_V(0)$. Then $\mathcal{M}_0 = \mathbf{F}_0\mathcal{E}_X u + \mathbf{F}_{-1}\mathcal{M}$ and it follows that for all $k \leq 0$

$$\mathcal{M}_0 = \mathbf{F}_0\mathcal{E}_X u + \mathbf{F}_k\mathcal{M}.$$

Since the filtration on \mathcal{M} is separated (see [12]), u generates \mathcal{M}_0 over $\mathbf{F}_0\mathcal{E}_X$. \square

Let $(t) \in \mathbb{C}$ be a coordinate, and denote by $(t; \tau) \in T^*\mathbb{C}$ the associated homogeneous symplectic coordinate system. Let $V \subset T^*X$ be a conic involutive submanifold, non necessarily regular. The trick of the dummy variable consists in replacing V with the conic involutive submanifold $\widetilde{V} = V \times \dot{T}^*\mathbb{C}$, which is regular. Let $p \in V$ and $q \in \dot{T}^*\mathbb{C}$. If Σ is the bicharacteristic leaf of V through p , then $\Sigma \times \{q\}$ is the bicharacteristic leaf of \widetilde{V} through (p, q) .

Proposition 4.1. *If \mathcal{M} is a globally simple \mathcal{E}_X -module along V , then $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}} = \mathcal{E}_{X \times \mathbb{C}} \otimes_{\mathcal{E}_X \boxtimes \mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}}} (\mathcal{M} \boxtimes \mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}})$ is globally simple along \widetilde{V} .*

Proof. Let \mathcal{M}_0 be a V -lattice in \mathcal{M} , and set

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_0 = \mathbf{F}_0\mathcal{E}_{X \times \mathbb{C}} \otimes_{\mathbf{F}_0\mathcal{E}_X \boxtimes \mathbf{F}_0\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}}} (\mathcal{M}_0 \boxtimes \mathbf{F}_0\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}}).$$

Clearly, $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_0$ is a lattice in $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}$ and moreover, $\mathcal{E}_{\widetilde{V}}\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_0 \subset \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_0$. Note that

$$\mathbf{F}_{-1}\widetilde{\mathcal{M}} = \mathbf{F}_0\mathcal{E}_{X \times \mathbb{C}} \otimes_{\mathbf{F}_0\mathcal{E}_X \boxtimes \mathbf{F}_0\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}}} (\mathbf{F}_{-1}\mathcal{M} \boxtimes \mathbf{F}_0\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}} + \mathcal{M}_0 \boxtimes \mathbf{F}_{-1}\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}}).$$

Set $\mathcal{M}_{-1} = F_{-1}\mathcal{M}$, $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_0 = \mathcal{M}_0/\mathcal{M}_{-1}$, and consider the commutative exact diagram of $F_0\mathcal{E}_X \boxtimes F_0\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}}$ -modules:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & 0 & & 0 & & 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{M}_{-1} \boxtimes F_{-1}\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{M}_0 \boxtimes F_{-1}\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}} & \longrightarrow & \overline{\mathcal{M}}_0 \boxtimes F_{-1}\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}} \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{M}_{-1} \boxtimes F_0\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{M}_0 \boxtimes F_0\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}} & \longrightarrow & \overline{\mathcal{M}}_0 \boxtimes F_0\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}} \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{M}_{-1} \boxtimes (F_0\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}}/F_{-1}\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}}) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{M}_0 \boxtimes (F_0\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}}/F_{-1}\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}}) & \longrightarrow & \overline{\mathcal{M}}_0 \boxtimes (F_0\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}}/F_{-1}\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}}) \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 & & 0 & & 0 & & 0
 \end{array}$$

It follows that the sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_{-1} \boxtimes F_0\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}} + \mathcal{M}_0 \boxtimes F_{-1}\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_0 \boxtimes F_0\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{M}}_0 \boxtimes F_0\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}}/F_{-1}\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow 0$$

is exact. Since $F_0\mathcal{E}_{X \times \mathbb{C}}$ is flat over $F_0\mathcal{E}_X \boxtimes F_0\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}}$, we locally have

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_0\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}/F_{-1}\widetilde{\mathcal{M}} &\simeq F_0\mathcal{E}_{X \times \mathbb{C}} \otimes_{F_0\mathcal{E}_X \boxtimes F_0\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}}} (\overline{\mathcal{M}}_0 \boxtimes F_0\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}}/F_{-1}\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}}) \\
 &\simeq F_0\mathcal{E}_{X \times \mathbb{C}} \otimes_{F_0\mathcal{E}_X \boxtimes F_0\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}}} (\mathcal{O}_V(0) \boxtimes \mathcal{O}_{T^*\mathbb{C}}(0)) \\
 &\simeq \mathcal{O}_{\widetilde{V}}(0).
 \end{aligned}$$

□

Remark. Let \mathfrak{S} be a \mathbb{C} -stack of twisted sheaves on X . Then Definition 4.2, Lemma 4.1 and Proposition 4.1 extend to objects of $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{E}_X; \pi^{\otimes} \mathfrak{S})$.

§5. Differential Operators on Involutive Submanifolds

We recall here the construction of the ring of homogeneous twisted differential operators invariant by the bicharacteristic flow.

Let $V \subset T^*X$ be a conic regular involutive submanifold and denote by $TV^{\perp} \subset TV$ the symplectic orthogonal to TV . Denote by $\Theta_V^{\perp} \subset \Theta_V$ the sheaf of sections of the bundle $TV^{\perp} \rightarrow V$, and let

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{O}_V^{bic} &:= \{a \in \mathcal{O}_V; v(a) = 0 \text{ for any } v \in \Theta_V^{\perp}\}, \\
 \mathcal{O}_V^{bic}(k) &:= \mathcal{O}_V^{bic} \cap \mathcal{O}_V(k).
 \end{aligned}$$

Then \mathcal{O}_V^{bic} is the sheaf of holomorphic functions locally constant along the bicharacteristic leaves of V . Consider the ring

$$\mathcal{D}_V^{bic} := \{P \in \mathcal{D}_V; [a, P] = 0 \text{ for any } a \in \mathcal{O}_V^{bic}\},$$

and the subring of operators homogeneous of degree zero

$$\mathcal{D}_V^{bic}(0) := \{P \in \mathcal{D}_V^{bic}; [eu_V, P] = 0\}.$$

Example 3. Let $(x; \xi) = (x_1, \dots, x_n; \xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)$ be a local homogeneous symplectic coordinate system on T^*X and assume that

$$V = \{(x; \xi); \xi_1 = \dots = \xi_d = 0\}.$$

Set $x' = (x_1, \dots, x_d)$, $x'' = (x_{d+1}, \dots, x_n)$, and similarly set $\xi = (\xi', \xi'')$. One has $(x', x'', \xi'') \in V$, and the bicharacteristic leaves of V are the submanifolds defined by

$$\Sigma = \{(x', x''; \xi''); (x''; \xi'') = (x''_0; \xi''_0)\}.$$

The Euler field eu_V is given by

$$eu_V = \sum_{d+1}^n \xi_i \partial_{\xi_i} = \xi'' \partial_{\xi''}.$$

Hence a function locally constant along the bicharacteristic leaves depends only on (x'', ξ'') . A section of $\mathcal{O}_V(0)$ is a holomorphic functions in the variable (x', x'', ξ'') , homogeneous of degree 0 with respect to ξ'' . Moreover a section of $\mathcal{D}_V^{bic}(0)$ is uniquely written as a finite sum

$$(5.1) \quad \sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^d} a_\alpha \partial_{x'}^\alpha, \text{ with } a_\alpha \in \mathcal{O}_V(0).$$

Let $j_\Sigma: \Sigma \rightarrow V$ be the embedding of a bicharacteristic leaf. Assume that V is regular, and that Σ is a locally closed submanifold of V . Denote by $\mathcal{J}_\Sigma^{bic}(0)$ the annihilator ideal of Σ in $\mathcal{O}_V^{bic}(0)$, and note that $\mathcal{O}_\Sigma \simeq \mathcal{O}_V^{bic}(0)/\mathcal{J}_\Sigma^{bic}(0)|_\Sigma$. Since $\mathcal{O}_V^{bic}(0)$ is in the center of $\mathcal{D}_V^{bic}(0)$, there is a restriction map

$$j_\Sigma^*: \text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_V^{bic}(0)) \rightarrow \text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_\Sigma) \\ \mathcal{M} \mapsto \mathbb{C}_\Sigma \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_V^{bic}(0)|_\Sigma} \mathcal{M}|_\Sigma.$$

We will be interested in the twisted analogue of the above construction. Namely, set

$$\mathcal{D}_{\Omega_V^{1/2}}^{bic} := \{P \in \mathcal{D}_{\Omega_V^{1/2}}; [a, P] = 0 \text{ for any } a \in \mathcal{O}_V^{bic}\}, \\ \mathcal{D}_{\Omega_V^{1/2}}^{bic}(0) := \{P \in \mathcal{D}_{\Omega_V^{1/2}}^{bic}; [\mathbb{L}^{(1/2)}(eu_V), P] = 0\}.$$

For $p \in \Sigma$, the quotient $T_p V/T_p \Sigma \simeq T_p V/T_p V^\perp$ is a symplectic space. Hence $j_\Sigma^* \Omega_V \simeq \Omega_\Sigma$. Thus, there is a restriction morphism

$$(5.2) \quad j_\Sigma^*: \text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{\Omega_V^{1/2}}^{bic}(0)) \rightarrow \text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{\Omega_\Sigma^{1/2}}).$$

§6. Subprincipal Symbol

In this section we recall the notion of subprincipal symbol, and prove the regular involutive analogue of an isomorphism obtained in [10, Lemma 1.5.1] for the Lagrangian case. References are made to [6, 9, 10, 11] (see [4] for the corresponding constructions in the C^∞ case).

As we will recall, the subprincipal symbol is intrinsically defined for microdifferential operators twisted by half-forms. We will thus consider here the ring

$$\mathcal{E}_{\Omega_X^{1/2}} = \pi^{-1}\Omega_X^{1/2} \otimes_{\pi^{-1}\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{E}_X \otimes_{\pi^{-1}\mathcal{O}} \pi^{-1}\Omega_X^{-1/2},$$

instead of \mathcal{E}_X . All the notions recalled in Section 3 extend to this ring. In particular, its V -filtration is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I}_V^{\Omega_X^{1/2}} &= \{P \in \mathbf{F}_1\mathcal{E}_{\Omega_X^{1/2}}|_V; \sigma_1(P)|_V = 0\} \\ &\simeq \pi_V^{-1}\Omega_X^{1/2} \otimes_{\pi_V^{-1}\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{I}_V \otimes_{\pi_V^{-1}\mathcal{O}} \pi_V^{-1}\Omega_X^{-1/2}, \\ \mathbf{F}_m^V\mathcal{E}_{\Omega_X^{1/2}} &= \pi_V^{-1}\Omega_X^{1/2} \otimes_{\pi_V^{-1}\mathcal{O}} \mathbf{F}_m^V\mathcal{E}_X \otimes_{\pi_V^{-1}\mathcal{O}} \pi_V^{-1}\Omega_X^{-1/2}, \\ \mathcal{E}_{V,\Omega_X^{1/2}} &= \mathbf{F}_0^V\mathcal{E}_{\Omega_X^{1/2}}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\pi_V = \pi|_V$.

Let (x) be a local coordinate system on X , and denote by $(x; \xi)$ the associated homogeneous symplectic coordinate system on T^*X . A microdifferential operator $P \in \mathbf{F}_m\mathcal{E}_{\Omega_X^{1/2}}$ is then described by its total symbol $\{p_k(x; \xi)\}_{k \leq m}$, where $p_k \in \mathcal{O}_{T^*X}(k)$. The functions p_k depend on the local coordinate system (x) on X , except the top degree term $p_m = \sigma_m(P)$ which does not. Recall that the subprincipal symbol

$$\sigma'_{m-1}: \mathbf{F}_m\mathcal{E}_{\Omega_X^{1/2}} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{T^*X}(m-1)$$

given by

$$\sigma'_{m-1}((dx)^{1/2} \otimes P \otimes (dx)^{-1/2}) = p_{m-1}(x, \xi) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \partial_{x_i} \partial_{\xi_i} p_m(x, \xi),$$

does not depend on the local coordinate system (x) on X . For $P \in \mathbf{F}_m\mathcal{E}_{\Omega_X^{1/2}}$, $Q \in \mathbf{F}_l\mathcal{E}_{\Omega_X^{1/2}}$, one has

$$(6.1) \quad \begin{aligned} \sigma'_{m+l-1}(PQ) &= \sigma_m(P)\sigma'_{l-1}(Q) + \sigma'_{m-1}(P)\sigma_l(Q) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2}\{\sigma_m(P), \sigma_l(Q)\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$(6.2) \quad \sigma'_{m+l-2}([P, Q]) = \{\sigma_m(P), \sigma'_{l-1}(Q)\} + \{\sigma'_{m-1}(P), \sigma_l(Q)\}.$$

Let $V \subset T^*X$ be a conic involutive submanifold. For $f \in \mathcal{O}_{T^*X}$, denote by $H_f = H(df) \in TT^*X$ its Hamiltonian vector field. Recall that H induces an isomorphism

$$(6.3) \quad H: T_V^*T^*X \xrightarrow{\sim} TV^\perp.$$

In particular, $H_f|_V$ is tangent to V for $f \in \mathcal{J}_V$. With notations (2.3), consider the transport operator

$$(6.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_V^0: \mathcal{I}_V^{\Omega^{1/2}} &\rightarrow \mathbb{F}_1\mathcal{D}_{\Omega^{1/2}}, \\ P &\mapsto \mathbf{L}^{(1/2)}(H_{\sigma_1(P)}|_V) + \sigma'_0(P)|_V. \end{aligned}$$

Using the above relations, one checks that the morphism \mathcal{L}_V^0 does not depend on the choice of coordinates, and satisfies the relations

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_V^0(AP) &= \sigma_0(A)\mathcal{L}_V^0(P), \\ \mathcal{L}_V^0(PA) &= \mathcal{L}_V^0(P)\sigma_0(A), \\ \mathcal{L}_V^0([P, Q]) &= [\mathcal{L}_V^0(P), \mathcal{L}_V^0(Q)], \end{aligned}$$

for $P, Q \in \mathcal{I}_V^{\Omega^{1/2}}$ and $A \in \mathbb{F}_0\mathcal{E}_{\Omega^{1/2}}$ (see [11, §2] or [9, §8.3]). It follows that \mathcal{L}_V^0 extends as a ring morphism

$$(6.5) \quad \mathcal{L}_V: \mathcal{E}_{V, \Omega^{1/2}} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{\Omega^{1/2}}$$

by setting $\mathcal{L}_V(P_1 \cdots P_r) = \mathcal{L}_V^0(P_1) \cdots \mathcal{L}_V^0(P_r)$, for $P_i \in \mathcal{I}_V^{\Omega^{1/2}}$.

Theorem 6.1. *Let $V \subset \dot{T}^*X$ be a conic regular involutive submanifold. The morphism (6.5) induces a ring isomorphism*

$$(6.6) \quad \mathcal{L}_V: \mathcal{E}_{V, \Omega^{1/2}}/\mathbb{F}_{-1}^V\mathcal{E}_{\Omega^{1/2}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{D}_{\Omega^{1/2}}^{bic}(0).$$

It is possible to show that the above statement holds even without the assumption of regularity for V (for example, the Lagrangian case is obtained in [10, Lemma 1.5.1]).

Proof. The statement is local. We may thus assume that $\Omega_X \simeq \mathcal{O}_X$ and $\Omega_V \simeq \mathcal{O}_V$, so that we are reduced to prove the isomorphism

$$\mathcal{L}_V: \mathcal{E}_V/\mathbb{F}_{-1}^V\mathcal{E}_X \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{D}_V^{bic}(0).$$

Moreover, since V is regular we may assume that we are in the situation of Example 3. By Example 2, sections of \mathcal{E}_V are uniquely written as finite sums

$$(6.7) \quad \sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^d} A_\alpha \partial_{x'}^\alpha, \text{ with } A_\alpha \in \mathbb{F}_0\mathcal{E}_X|_V.$$

One concludes using (5.1) since, by definition of \mathcal{L}_V ,

$$\mathcal{L}_V \left(\sum_{\alpha} A_{\alpha} \partial_{x'}^{\alpha} \right) = \sum_{\alpha} \sigma_0(A_{\alpha}) \partial_{x'}^{\alpha}.$$

□

Let $\Omega_{V/X} = \Omega_V \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \pi_V^* \Omega_X^{-1}$ be the sheaf of relative forms. Recall from Example 1 that $\mathfrak{S}_{\Omega_{V/X}^{-1/2}}$ denotes a stack of twisted sheaves such that $\Omega_{V/X}^{-1/2} \in \text{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_V; \mathfrak{S}_{\Omega_{V/X}^{-1/2}})$.

Corollary 6.1. *Let $V \subset \dot{T}^*X$ be a conic regular involutive submanifold, and \mathfrak{T} be a stack of twisted sheaves on V . Then there is an equivalence of categories*

$$\text{Mod}(\mathcal{E}_V/F_{-1}^V \mathcal{E}_X; \mathfrak{T}) \simeq \text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_V^{bic}(0); \mathfrak{T} \otimes \mathfrak{S}_{\Omega_{V/X}^{-1/2}}).$$

§7. Statement of the Result

We can now state our main result. For a submanifold $\Sigma \subset \dot{T}^*X$, set $\pi_{\Sigma} = \pi|_{\Sigma}$, and denote by $\pi_{\Sigma}^{\sharp}: H^2(X; \mathbb{C}_X^{\times}) \rightarrow H^2(\Sigma; \mathbb{C}_{\Sigma}^{\times})$ the pull-back.

Theorem 7.1. *Let $V \subset \dot{T}^*X$ be a conic involutive submanifold, $\Sigma \subset V$ a bicharacteristic leaf, and \mathfrak{T} a stack of twisted sheaves on X . Assume that Σ is a locally closed submanifold of V , and that there exists a globally simple module along V in $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{E}_X; \pi^{\otimes} \mathfrak{T})$. Then*

$$\pi_{\Sigma}^{\sharp}([\mathfrak{T}]) = [\mathfrak{S}_{\Omega_{\Sigma/X}^{1/2}}] \quad \text{in } H^2(\Sigma; \mathbb{C}_{\Sigma}^{\times}).$$

Proof. The proof follows the same lines as in [10, §I.5.2]. Let us first reduce to the regular involutive case by the trick of the dummy variable. Let $p: \tilde{X} = X \times \mathbb{C} \rightarrow X$ be the projection. With the notations of Proposition 4.1, replace X with \tilde{X} , \mathfrak{T} with $\tilde{\mathfrak{T}} = p^{\otimes} \mathfrak{T}$, V with $\tilde{V} = V \times \dot{T}^*\mathbb{C}$, \mathcal{M} with $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}$, and Σ with $\tilde{\Sigma} = \Sigma \times \{(0; 1)\}$. Under the isomorphism $H^2(\Sigma; \mathbb{C}_{\Sigma}^{\times}) \simeq H^2(\tilde{\Sigma}; \mathbb{C}_{\tilde{\Sigma}}^{\times})$ one has $\pi_{\Sigma}^{\sharp}([\mathfrak{T}]) = \pi_{\tilde{\Sigma}}^{\sharp}([\tilde{\mathfrak{T}}])$. Hence we may assume that V is regular involutive.

Let \mathcal{M} be a globally simple module along V in $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{E}_X; \pi^{\otimes} \mathfrak{T})$, and let \mathcal{M}_0 be a V -lattice in \mathcal{M} . Then $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_0 = \mathcal{M}_0/F_{-1} \mathcal{M} \in \text{Mod}(\mathcal{E}_V/F_{-1}^V \mathcal{E}_X; \pi_V^{\otimes} \mathfrak{T})$ is locally isomorphic to $\mathcal{O}_V(0)$. By Corollary 6.1 we may further consider $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_0$ as an object of $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_V^{bic}(0); \pi_V^{\otimes} \mathfrak{T} \otimes \mathfrak{S}_{\Omega_{V/X}^{-1/2}})$.

By the restriction functor (5.2) and the equivalence (2.2), $j_{\Sigma}^*(\overline{\mathcal{M}}_0)$ is an object of $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{\Sigma}; \pi_{\Sigma}^{\otimes} \mathfrak{T} \otimes \mathfrak{S}_{\Omega_{\Sigma/X}^{-1/2}})$ locally isomorphic to \mathcal{O}_{Σ} . Hence its solution sheaf $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}_{\Sigma}}(j_{\Sigma}^*(\overline{\mathcal{M}}_0), \mathcal{O}_{\Sigma}) \in (\pi_{\Sigma}^{\otimes} \mathfrak{T} \otimes \mathfrak{S}_{\Omega_{\Sigma/X}^{-1/2}})^{\otimes -1}(\Sigma)$ is a local system of

rank 1. It follows by Proposition 1.1 that the class $[(\pi_{\Sigma}^{\otimes} \mathfrak{T} \otimes \mathfrak{S}_{\Omega_{\Sigma/X}^{-1/2}})^{\otimes -1}] = [\mathfrak{S}_{\Omega_{\Sigma/X}^{1/2}}] \cdot \pi_{\Sigma}^{\sharp}([\mathfrak{T}])^{-1}$ is trivial in $H^2(\Sigma; \mathbb{C}_{\Sigma}^{\times})$. \square

Remark. Let us say that a coherent \mathcal{E}_X -module \mathcal{M} is globally r -simple along V if it admits a lattice \mathcal{M}_0 such that $\mathcal{E}_V \mathcal{M}_0 \subset \mathcal{M}_0$ and $\mathcal{M}_0/F_{-1}\mathcal{M}$ is locally isomorphic to $\mathcal{O}_V(0)^r$. Theorem 7.1 extends to globally r -simple modules as follows. If there exists a globally r -simple module along V in $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{E}_X; \pi^{\otimes} \mathfrak{T})$, then

$$\pi_{\Sigma}^{\sharp}([\mathfrak{T}])^r = \left([\mathfrak{S}_{\Omega_{\Sigma/X}^{1/2}}] \right)^r \quad \text{in } H^2(\Sigma; \mathbb{C}_{\Sigma}^{\times}).$$

The proof goes along the same lines as the one above, recalling the following fact. Let \mathfrak{S} be a stack of twisted sheaves on X , and let $F \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$ be a local system of rank r . Then $\det F$ is a local system of rank 1 in $\mathfrak{S}^{\otimes r}(X)$, so that $\mathfrak{S}^{\otimes r}$ is globally \mathbb{C} -equivalent to $\mathfrak{Mod}(\mathbb{C}_X)$.

Corollary 7.1. *Let $V \subset \dot{T}^*X$ be a conic involutive submanifold, $\Sigma \subset V$ a bicharacteristic leaf, and \mathfrak{T} a stack of twisted sheaves on X . Assume that Σ is a locally closed submanifold of V , that $\pi_{\Sigma}^{\sharp}: H^2(X; \mathbb{C}_X^{\times}) \rightarrow H^2(\Sigma; \mathbb{C}_{\Sigma}^{\times})$ is injective, that $[\mathfrak{S}_{\Omega_{\Sigma/X}^{1/2}}] = 1$ in $H^2(\Sigma; \mathbb{C}_{\Sigma}^{\times})$, and that there exists a globally simple module along V in $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{E}_X; \pi^{\otimes} \mathfrak{T})$. Then \mathfrak{T} is globally \mathbb{C} -equivalent to $\mathfrak{Mod}(\mathbb{C}_X)$.*

Proof. By Theorem 7.1, $\pi_{\Sigma}^{\sharp}([\mathfrak{T}]) = 1$ in $H^2(\Sigma; \mathbb{C}_{\Sigma}^{\times})$. Since π_{Σ}^{\sharp} is injective, $[\mathfrak{T}] = 1$ in $H^2(X; \mathbb{C}_X^{\times})$, and this implies that the stack \mathfrak{T} is globally \mathbb{C} -equivalent to $\mathfrak{Mod}(\mathbb{C}_X)$. \square

§8. Application: Non Existence of Twisted Wave Equations

Let \mathbb{T} be an $(n + 1)$ -dimensional complex vector space, \mathbb{P} the projective space of lines in \mathbb{T} , and \mathbb{G} the Grassmannian of $(p + 1)$ -dimensional subspaces in \mathbb{T} . Assume $n \geq 3$ and $1 \leq p \leq n - 2$. The Penrose correspondence (see [5]) is associated with the double fibration

$$(8.1) \quad \mathbb{P} \begin{array}{c} \longleftarrow \\ \scriptstyle f \\ \longrightarrow \end{array} \mathbb{F} \begin{array}{c} \longrightarrow \\ \scriptstyle g \\ \longrightarrow \end{array} \mathbb{G}$$

where $\mathbb{F} = \{(y, x) \in \mathbb{P} \times \mathbb{G}; y \subset x\}$ is the incidence relation, and f, g are the natural projections. The double fibration (8.1) induces the maps

$$\dot{T}^*\mathbb{P} \begin{array}{c} \longleftarrow \\ \scriptstyle p \\ \longrightarrow \end{array} \dot{T}^*_{\mathbb{F}}(\mathbb{P} \times \mathbb{G}) \begin{array}{c} \longrightarrow \\ \scriptstyle q \\ \longrightarrow \end{array} \dot{T}^*\mathbb{G},$$

where $T_{\mathbb{F}}^*(\mathbb{P} \times \mathbb{G}) \subset T^*(\mathbb{P} \times \mathbb{G})$ denotes the conormal bundle to \mathbb{F} , and p and q are the natural projections. Note that p is smooth surjective, and q is a closed embedding. Set

$$V = q(\dot{T}_{\mathbb{F}}^*(\mathbb{P} \times \mathbb{G})).$$

Then V is a closed conic regular involutive submanifold of $\dot{T}^*\mathbb{G}$, and q identifies the fibers of p with the bicharacteristic leaves of V .

For $m \in \mathbb{Z}$, let $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(m)$ be the line bundle on \mathbb{P} corresponding to the sheaf of homogeneous functions of degree m on \mathbb{T} , and denote by $\mathcal{N}_{(m)} := \mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{P}} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(-m)$ the associated $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{P}}$ -module. Denote by $\mathbb{D}g_*$ and $\mathbb{D}f^*$ the direct and inverse image in the derived categories of \mathcal{D} -modules and consider the family of $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{G}}$ -modules

$$\mathcal{M}_{(1+m/2)} := H^0(\mathbb{D}g_* \mathbb{D}f^* \mathcal{N}_{(m)}).$$

For $n = 3$ and $p = 1$, Penrose identifies \mathbb{G} with a conformal compactification of the complexified Minkowski space, and the $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{G}}$ -module $\mathcal{M}_{(1+m/2)}$ corresponds to the massless field equation of helicity $1 + m/2$.

By [3], the microlocalization $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{G}} \otimes_{\pi^{-1}\mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{G}}} \pi^{-1}\mathcal{M}_{(1+m/2)}$ of $\mathcal{M}_{(1+m/2)}$ is globally simple along V .

Theorem 8.1. *Let \mathfrak{S} be a stack of twisted sheaves on \mathbb{G} and \mathcal{M} an object of $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{G}}; \mathfrak{S})$ whose microlocalization $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{G}} \otimes_{\pi^{-1}\mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{G}}} \pi^{-1}\mathcal{M}$ is globally simple along V . Then \mathfrak{S} is globally \mathbb{C} -equivalent to $\mathfrak{Mod}(\mathbb{C}_{\mathbb{G}})$, so that $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{G}}; \mathfrak{S})$ is \mathbb{C} -equivalent to $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{G}})$.*

In other words, \mathcal{M} is untwisted.

Proof. Let us start by recalling the microlocal geometry underlying the double fibration (8.1). There are identifications

$$\begin{aligned} T^*\mathbb{P} &= \{(y; \eta); \quad y \subset \mathbb{T}, \eta \in \text{Hom}(\mathbb{T}/y, y)\}, \\ T^*\mathbb{G} &= \{(x; \xi); \quad x \subset \mathbb{T}, \xi \in \text{Hom}(\mathbb{T}/x, x)\}, \\ T_{\mathbb{F}}^*(\mathbb{P} \times \mathbb{G}) &= \{(y, x; \tau); \quad y \subset x \subset \mathbb{T}, \tau \in \text{Hom}(\mathbb{T}/x, y)\}. \end{aligned}$$

The maps p and q are described as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \dot{T}^*\mathbb{P} & \xleftarrow{p} \dot{T}_{\mathbb{F}}^*(\mathbb{P} \times \mathbb{G}) & \xrightarrow{q} \dot{T}^*\mathbb{G} \\ (y; \tau \circ j) & \longleftarrow (y, x; \tau) & \longrightarrow (x; i \circ \tau), \end{array}$$

where $i: y \rightarrow x$ and $j: \mathbb{T}/y \rightarrow \mathbb{T}/x$ are the natural maps. We thus get

$$V = \{(x; \xi); \quad \text{rk}(\xi) = 1\},$$

where $\text{rk}(\xi)$ denotes the rank of the linear map ξ . In order to describe the bicharacteristic leaves of V , denote by \mathbb{P}^* the dual projective space consisting of hyperplanes $z \subset \mathbb{T}$, and consider the incidence relation

$$\mathbb{A} = \{(y, z) \in \mathbb{P} \times \mathbb{P}^*; y \subset z \subset \mathbb{T}\}.$$

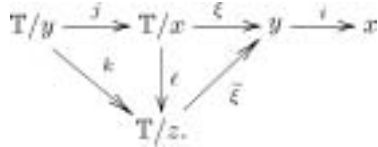
Then

$$\dot{T}_{\mathbb{A}}^*(\mathbb{P} \times \mathbb{P}^*) = \{(y, z; \theta); y \subset z \subset \mathbb{T}, \theta: \mathbb{T}/z \xrightarrow{\sim} y\}.$$

There is an isomorphism

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{T}_{\mathbb{A}}^*(\mathbb{P} \times \mathbb{P}^*) &\xrightarrow{\sim} \dot{T}^*\mathbb{P} \\ (y, z; \theta) &\mapsto (y; \theta \circ k), \end{aligned}$$

where $k: \mathbb{T}/y \rightarrow \mathbb{T}/z$ is the natural map. Set $y = \text{im } \xi$, $z = x + \ker \xi$, and consider the commutative diagram of linear maps



We thus get the following description of the composite map

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{p}: \quad V &\xrightarrow{\sim} \dot{T}_{\mathbb{P}}^*(\mathbb{P} \times \mathbb{G}) \xrightarrow{p} \dot{T}^*\mathbb{P} \xrightarrow{\sim} \dot{T}_{\mathbb{A}}^*(\mathbb{P} \times \mathbb{P}^*) \\ (x; \xi) &\mapsto (\text{im } \xi, x; \xi) \mapsto (\text{im } \xi; \xi \circ j) \mapsto (\text{im } \xi, x + \ker \xi; \tilde{\xi}), \end{aligned}$$

It follows that the bicharacteristic leaf $\Sigma_{(y,z,\theta)} := \tilde{p}^{-1}(y, z, \theta)$ of V is given by

$$\begin{aligned} (8.2) \quad \Sigma_{(y,z,\theta)} &= \{(x; \xi); y = \text{im } \xi, z = x + \ker \xi, \theta \circ \ell = \xi\} \\ &= \{(x; \xi); y \subset x \subset z, \xi = \theta \circ \ell\}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\ell: \mathbb{T}/x \rightarrow \mathbb{T}/z$ is the natural map. Thus, $\Sigma_{(y,z,\theta)}$ is the Grassmannian of p -dimensional linear subspaces in the $(n - 1)$ -dimensional vector space z/y .

Let us fix a point $(y, z, \theta) \in \dot{T}_{\mathbb{A}}^*(\mathbb{P} \times \mathbb{P}^*)$, and set $\Sigma = \Sigma_{(y,z,\theta)}$. In order to apply Corollary 7.1, we need to compute the map π_{Σ}^{\sharp} and the class $[\mathfrak{S}_{\Sigma/\mathbb{G}}^{1/2}]$.

The universal bundle $U_{\mathbb{G}} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}$ is the sub-bundle of the trivial bundle $\mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{T}$ whose fiber at $x \in \mathbb{G}$ is the $(p + 1)$ -dimensional linear subspace $x \subset \mathbb{T}$ itself.

Consider the line bundle $D_{\mathbb{G}} = \det U_{\mathbb{G}}$, and denote by $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{G}}(-1)$ the sheaf of its sections. Recall the isomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} H^1(\mathbb{G}; \mathbb{C}_{\mathbb{G}}^{\times}) &\simeq H^2(\mathbb{G}; \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{G}}^{\times}) \simeq 0, \\ H^1(\mathbb{G}; \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{G}}^{\times}) &\simeq \mathbb{Z} \text{ with generator } [\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{G}}(-1)], \\ H^1(\mathbb{G}; \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{G}}^{\times}/\mathbb{C}_{\mathbb{G}}^{\times}) &\simeq \mathbb{C} \text{ with generator } [\mathfrak{Mod}(\mathbb{C}_{\mathbb{G}}), \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{G}}(-1)], \end{aligned}$$

so that the sequence of abelian groups

$$H^1(\mathbb{G}; \mathbb{C}_{\mathbb{G}}^{\times}) \xrightarrow{\alpha} H^1(\mathbb{G}; \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{G}}^{\times}) \xrightarrow{\beta} H^1(\mathbb{G}; \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{G}}^{\times}/\mathbb{C}_{\mathbb{G}}^{\times}) \xrightarrow{\delta} H^2(\mathbb{G}; \mathbb{C}_{\mathbb{G}}^{\times}) \rightarrow H^2(\mathbb{G}; \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{G}}^{\times}),$$

is isomorphic to the sequence of additive abelian groups

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\beta} \mathbb{C} \xrightarrow{\delta} \mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0.$$

Similar results hold for Σ , which is also a grassmannian.

By Lemma 8.1 below one has $\pi_{\Sigma}^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) \simeq \mathcal{O}_{\Sigma}(-1)$. Hence π_{Σ}^{\sharp} is the isomorphism

$$\pi_{\Sigma}^{\sharp}: H^2(\mathbb{G}; \mathbb{C}_{\mathbb{G}}^{\times}) \simeq \mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} \simeq H^2(\Sigma; \mathbb{C}_{\Sigma}^{\times}).$$

There are isomorphisms

$$\Omega_{\mathbb{G}} \simeq \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{G}}(-n-1), \quad \Omega_{\Sigma} \simeq \mathcal{O}_{\Sigma}(-n+1).$$

Again by Lemma 8.1, we thus have

$$\pi_{\Sigma}^* \Omega_{\mathbb{G}} \simeq \pi_{\Sigma}^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{G}}(-n-1) \simeq \mathcal{O}_{\Sigma}(-n-1).$$

It follows that $\Omega_{\Sigma/\mathbb{G}} \simeq \mathcal{O}_{\Sigma}(2)$, and thus

$$[\Omega_{\Sigma/\mathbb{G}}] = 2 \quad \text{in } \mathbb{Z} \simeq H^1(\Sigma; \mathcal{O}_{\Sigma}^{\times}).$$

Therefore

$$[\mathfrak{S}_{\Omega_{\Sigma/\mathbb{G}}^{1/2}, \Omega_{\Sigma/\mathbb{G}}^{1/2}}] = 1 \quad \text{in } \mathbb{C} \simeq H^1(\Sigma; \mathcal{O}_{\Sigma}^{\times}/\mathbb{C}_{\Sigma}^{\times}),$$

so that

$$[\mathfrak{S}_{\Omega_{\Sigma/\mathbb{G}}^{1/2}}] = \delta \left([\mathfrak{S}_{\Omega_{\Sigma/\mathbb{G}}^{1/2}, \Omega_{\Sigma/\mathbb{G}}^{1/2}}] \right) = 0 \quad \text{in } \mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} \simeq H^2(\Sigma; \mathbb{C}_{\Sigma}^{\times}).$$

The statement follows by Corollary 7.1. □

Lemma 8.1. *There is a natural isomorphism $\pi_{\Sigma}^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) \simeq \mathcal{O}_{\Sigma}(-1)$.*

Proof. Recall that $D_{\mathbb{G}}$ denotes the determinant of the universal bundle on \mathbb{G} . Geometrically, we have to prove that there is an isomorphism $\delta: D_{\Sigma} \xrightarrow{\sim} D_{\mathbb{G}}|_{\Sigma}$.

Recall the description (8.2), and let $(x; \xi) \in \Sigma$ for $p = (y, z, \theta) \in \dot{T}^*\mathbb{P}$. Then $(D_{\Sigma})_{(x; \xi)} = \det(x/y)$, $(D_{\mathbb{G}})_{(x; \xi)} = \det x$, and δ is obtained by a trivialization of $\det y \simeq \mathbb{C}$. \square

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