

93. Finiteness Theorem for Holonomic Systems of Micro-differential Equations

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It is known that the solution space of a holonomic system (=maximally overdetermined system) of linear *differential* equations enjoys a nice finiteness property (Kashiwara [2]). This result naturally raises an interesting question whether analogous results hold for holonomic systems of micro-differential equations (=pseudo-differential equations.) Of course, we should talk about the microfunction solutions in this case and this makes the situations complicated.

However, we can overcome the difficulties by making use of a recent result on the boundary value problem for elliptic systems (Kashiwara-Kawai [4]) on one hand and the concrete representation of the action of micro-differential operators on microfunctions (Kashiwara-Kawai [3] and Bony-Schapira [1]) on the other hand.

Our result is the following

Theorem. *Let M be a real analytic manifold, \mathcal{C} the sheaf of microfunctions and \mathcal{E} the sheaf of micro-differential operators. Let \mathcal{M} be a holonomic system of micro-differential equations defined in a neighborhood of a point p of the pure imaginary cotangent bundle $\sqrt{-1}T^*M$. Then, the dimension of the vector space $\mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{E}}^j(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{C})_p$ is finite for any j .*

We can prove this theorem in the following manner.

(I) Define a real hypersurface S in \mathbb{C}^{n+1} by $\{(t, z) \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1}; \operatorname{Re} t = |z|^2\}$. Set $\Omega = \{(t, z) \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1}; \operatorname{Re} t > |z|^2\}$. We define \mathcal{C}' by the inductive limit of $\mathcal{O}(U \cap \Omega)/\mathcal{O}(U)$, where U runs over a fundamental system of neighborhoods of $(t, z) = (0, 0)$. Then we can find an isomorphism between $\mathcal{E}_{M,p}$ and $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}^{n+1}, (0,0); -dt}$ and an isomorphism between $\mathcal{C}_{M,p}$ and \mathcal{C}' so that the action of $\mathcal{E}_{M,p}$ on $\mathcal{C}_{M,p}$ is compatible with that of $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}^{n+1}, (0,0); -dt}$ on \mathcal{C}' . (Kashiwara-Kawai [3] § 2.1.)

Further, we can choose these isomorphisms so that the characteristic variety Λ of the $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}^{n+1}, (0,0); -dt}$ -module \mathcal{M}' corresponding to \mathcal{M} is finite over \mathbb{C}^{n+1} , since the characteristic variety of \mathcal{M} is Lagrangian.

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(II) Let δ be a sufficiently small fixed positive number. Let R_δ be the set of all micro-differential operators $P(t, z, D_t, D_z) = \sum_{j \geq 1} a_j(t, z, D_z) D_t^{-j}$ of order ≤ -1 satisfying the following property:

$P(t, z, D_t, D_z)$ is a polynomial in D_z and $A_P(t, t', z, D_z) = \sum_{j \geq 1} \frac{1}{(j-1)!} \times (t-t')^{j-1} a_j(t, z, D_z)$ is a differential operator defined for $|t|, |t'|, |z| < \delta$.

Let c be a positive number such that $c < \delta$. Let U be an open set in $\{(t, z) \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1}; |t|, |z| < \delta\}$ which satisfies the following properties:

- (1) $U(z_0) = \{t \in \mathbb{C}; (t, z_0) \in U\}$ is convex.
- (2) $U(z_0)$ is void if $U(z_0)$ does not contain c .

Then any $P(t, z, D_t, D_z)$ in R_δ acts on $\mathcal{O}(U)$ by the following rule:

$$(3) \quad P(t, z, D_t, D_z) f(t, z) = \int_c^t A_P(t, t', z, D_z) f(t', z) dt'$$

(See Kashiwara-Kawai [3] and Bony-Schapira [1].) Note that, if P and Q belong to R_δ , then PQ belongs to R_δ and that $A_{PQ}(t, t', z, D_z) = \int_{t'}^t A_P(t, t'', z, D_z) A_Q(t'', t', z, D_z) dt''$ holds. Hence $P(Qf) = (PQ)f$ holds.

(Bony-Schapira [1])

(III) Since the characteristic variety Λ of \mathcal{M}' satisfies $\Lambda \cap \pi^{-1}(0) = Cdt$ for $\pi: T^*\mathbb{C}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{n+1}$, we can find a resolution of \mathcal{M}' in the following form:

$$0 \longleftarrow \mathcal{M}' \longleftarrow \mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}^{n+1}}^{N_0} \xleftarrow{P_0} \mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}^{n+1}}^{N_1} \xleftarrow{P_1} \mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}^{n+1}}^{N_2} \longleftarrow \dots,$$

where P_j 's are micro-differential operators contained in R_δ for a sufficiently small $\delta > 0$.

(IV) Define Ω_ρ by $\{(t, z) \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1}; \operatorname{Re} t > |z|^2 + \rho\}$ and U_ϵ by $\{(t, z) \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1}; \operatorname{Re} t > a|z|^2 + |\operatorname{Im} t|^2 - \epsilon\}$ for $\rho, \epsilon > 0$. Here a is a fixed constant > 1 . Then for some $\alpha > 0$, $\partial(\Omega_\rho \cup U_\epsilon)$ ($0 < \rho < \epsilon^\alpha, \epsilon \ll 1$) is non-characteristic with respect to \mathcal{M}' in a fixed neighborhood of the origin, that is, the conormal set of $\partial(\Omega_\rho \cup U_\epsilon)$ is disjoint from Λ . We take a convex open set \tilde{U}_ϵ satisfying the conditions (1) and (2) and $\tilde{U}_\epsilon = U_\epsilon$ for $\operatorname{Re} t < c$. Then $\tilde{U}_\epsilon \cap \Omega_\rho$ also satisfies conditions (1) and (2). Therefore, any element in R_δ operates on $\mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\epsilon)$ and $\mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\epsilon \cap \Omega_\rho)$, and hence we get complexes:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\epsilon) \cdot & : & \mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\epsilon)^{N_0} & \xrightarrow{P_0} & \mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\epsilon)^{N_1} & \xrightarrow{P_1} & \mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\epsilon)^{N_2} \longrightarrow \dots \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\epsilon \cap \Omega_\rho) \cdot & : & \mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\epsilon \cap \Omega_\rho)^{N_0} & \xrightarrow{P_0} & \mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\epsilon \cap \Omega_\rho)^{N_1} & \xrightarrow{P_1} & \mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\epsilon \cap \Omega_\rho)^{N_2} \longrightarrow \dots \end{array}$$

Then, we have

$$\varinjlim_{\epsilon} \varprojlim_{\rho} H^j(\mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\epsilon \cap \Omega_\rho) \cdot / \mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\epsilon) \cdot) = \mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{C}^{n+1}}^j(\mathcal{M}', \mathcal{C}') = \mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{M}'}^j(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{C})_p$$

(V) Making use of the assertion of the non-characteristicness given in (IV), we conclude that

$$H^j(\mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\epsilon \cap \Omega_\rho) \cdot / \mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\epsilon) \cdot) \rightarrow H^j(\mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\epsilon \cap \Omega_{\rho'}) \cdot / \mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\epsilon) \cdot)$$

is an isomorphism when $0 < \epsilon' < \epsilon \ll 1, \rho' < \rho, 0 < \rho < \epsilon^\alpha$ and $0 < \rho' < \epsilon'^\alpha$.

Therefore, we have

$$H^j(\mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\varepsilon \cap \Omega_\rho) \cdot / \mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\varepsilon) \cdot) \xrightarrow{\sim} H^j(\mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\varepsilon \cap \Omega_\rho) \cdot / \mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\varepsilon) \cdot)$$

Then, by making use of functional analysis (see Kawai [5], for example), we can conclude that $H^j(\mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\varepsilon \cap \Omega_\rho) \cdot / \mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\varepsilon) \cdot)$ is of finite dimension. Furthermore, since we have

$$\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{O}_M}^{x^j}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{C})_p = H^j(\mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\varepsilon \cap \Omega_\rho) \cdot / \mathcal{O}(\tilde{U}_\varepsilon) \cdot)$$

for any $0 < \rho < \varepsilon^\alpha$, $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$, we get the required result.

The detailed argument of this note will appear somewhere else.

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