

181. Cohomology of Vector Fields on a Complex Manifold

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§ 1. Let M be a complex manifold. Let \mathcal{A} denote the space of smooth vector fields of type $(1, 0)$ on M . \mathcal{A} is regarded as a Lie algebra under the usual bracket operation. Recently it is shown that the Lie algebra structure of \mathcal{A} uniquely determines the complex analytic structure of M (I. Amemiya [1]), and thus it would be interesting to calculate the cohomology of the Lie algebra \mathcal{A} associated with various representations. In this note, we shall state some results concerning the cohomology of the Lie algebra \mathcal{A} . Details will appear elsewhere.

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§ 2. We recall here briefly the definition of the cohomology group of a Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} associated with a \mathfrak{g} -module W . Let $C^p(\mathfrak{g}; W)$ denote the space of alternating p -forms on \mathfrak{g} with values in the vector space W for $p > 0$; we put $C^0(\mathfrak{g}; W) = W$ and $C^p(\mathfrak{g}; W) = 0$ for $p < 0$. The coboundary operator $d: C^p(\mathfrak{g}; W) \rightarrow C^{p+1}(\mathfrak{g}; W)$ is defined by the following formula:

$$(d\omega)(X_1, \dots, X_{p+1}) = \sum_{i=1}^{p+1} (-1)^{i-1} X_i \omega(X_1, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, X_{p+1}) \\ + \sum_{i < j} (-1)^{i+j} \omega([X_i, X_j], X_1, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, \hat{X}_j, \dots, X_{p+1})$$

($X_1, \dots, X_{p+1} \in \mathfrak{g}, \omega \in C^p(\mathfrak{g}; W)$). The p -th cohomology group of this cochain complex $C(\mathfrak{g}; W) = \bigoplus_p C^p(\mathfrak{g}; W)$ will be denoted by $H^p(\mathfrak{g}; W)$. If the \mathfrak{g} -module W has a ring structure such that $X(fg) = (Xf)g + f(Xg)$ ($X \in \mathfrak{g}, f, g \in W$), then the total cohomology $H^*(\mathfrak{g}; W) = \bigoplus_p H^p(\mathfrak{g}; W)$ has a graded ring structure. (For more details, see [3].)

§ 3. The Lie algebra \mathcal{A} has a representation on the ring \mathcal{F} of smooth functions on M when the vector fields are identified canonically with the derivations on the ring \mathcal{F} . We shall denote by $C^p_2(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F})$ the subspace of $C^p_2(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F})$ consisting of the elements ω such that $\text{supp}(\omega(X_1, \dots, X_p)) \subset \bigcap_{i=1}^p \text{supp}(X_i)$ ($X_1, \dots, X_p \in \mathcal{A}$). Furthermore we shall denote by $C^p_0(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F})$ the subspace of $C^p_2(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F})$ consisting of the elements ω such that, if $f \in \mathcal{F}$ is anti-holomorphic on an open subset U of M , then $\omega(fX_1, X_2, \dots, X_p) = f\omega(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p)$ on U for any $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p \in \mathcal{A}$. If we put $C_d(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F}) = \bigoplus_p C^p_2(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F})$, and $C_0(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F}) = \bigoplus_p C^p_0(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F})$, then $C_d(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F})$ and $C_0(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F})$ form a subcomplex of

$C(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F})$ and $C_d(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F})$, respectively. The p -th cohomology group of the complex $C_d(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F})$ and $C_o(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F})$ will, respectively, be denoted by $H_p^d(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F})$ and $H_p^o(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F})$. We note that the total cohomology groups $H_d^*(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F}) = \bigoplus_p H_p^d(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F})$ and $H_o^*(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F}) = \bigoplus_p H_p^o(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F})$ are graded rings.

Theorem 1. *We have an isomorphism of graded rings:*

$$H_o^*(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F}) \cong H^*(M, \bar{\mathcal{O}}) \otimes H^*(\mathfrak{gl}(n, C); C),$$

where $\bar{\mathcal{O}}$ denotes the sheaf of germs of anti-holomorphic functions on M , and the complex dimension of M is denoted by n ; $H^*(\mathfrak{gl}(n, C); C)$ is the cohomology of the Lie algebra $\mathfrak{gl}(n, C)$ associated with the trivial $\mathfrak{gl}(n, C)$ -module C .

If we denote by ι the inclusion homomorphism of cochain complexes: $C_o(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F}) \hookrightarrow C_d(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F})$, then we have

Theorem 2. *For $p \leq n$, ι induces an isomorphism:*

$$\iota^p: H_p^o(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F}) \longrightarrow H_p^d(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F}).$$

§ 4. Next, we shall consider the adjoint representation of the Lie algebra \mathcal{A} . As before we shall denote by $C_d^p(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{A})$ the subspace of $C^p(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{A})$ consisting of the elements ω such that $\text{supp } (\omega(X_1, \dots, X_p)) \subset \bigcap_{i=1}^p \text{supp } (X_i)$ for all $X_1, \dots, X_p \in \mathcal{A}$. Then $C_d(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{A}) = \bigoplus_p C_d^p(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{A})$ is in fact a subcomplex of $C(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{A})$, and its cohomology will be denoted by $H_d^*(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{A}) = \bigoplus_p H_p^d(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{A})$.

Theorem 3. *We have an isomorphism*

$$H_d^p(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{A}) \cong \bigoplus_{u+v+1=p} H^u(M, \bar{\mathcal{O}}) \otimes H^v(\mathfrak{gl}(n, C); C) \quad \text{for } p \leq n,$$

where $\bar{\mathcal{O}}$ denotes the sheaf of germs of anti-holomorphic vector fields of type $(0, 1)$ on M .

Corollary. *The quotient algebra of the Lie algebra of the derivations of \mathcal{A} divided by the ideal of the inner derivations is isomorphic to the Lie algebra $H^0(M, \bar{\mathcal{O}})$.*

Here $H^0(M, \bar{\mathcal{O}})$ is regarded as a Lie algebra under the usual bracket operation of vector fields.

§ 5. We shall outline the proofs of the theorems.

From an obvious generalization of the Peetre's theorem (cf. [4]), we infer the following

Lemma 1. $C_o^p(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F}) \cong \Gamma(\wedge^p(JT)')$.

Here $JT = \varprojlim_k J^{k,0}(T)$ and $J^{k,0}(T)$ is the k -th holomorphic jet bundle of the holomorphic tangent bundle T , whose fiber over a point $x \in M$ is $\Gamma(T)/(I_x^{k+1} + \bar{I}_x)\Gamma(T)$, I_x and \bar{I}_x being the ideals of the ring \mathcal{F} generated, respectively, by such elements f as $(\partial f / \partial z^\alpha)(x) = 0$ and $(\partial f / \partial \bar{z}^\alpha)(x) = 0$ for $\alpha = 1, \dots, n$, with respect to a holomorphic coordinate system $\{z^1, \dots, z^n\}$ around x .

Next, we shall introduce in $C_o(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F})$ a filtration due to I. M.

Gel'fand and D. B. Fuks ([2]). Put $F_p C_{\mathfrak{A}}^{p+q}(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F}) = \Gamma((\wedge^p T') \wedge (\wedge^q (JT)'),$ where T' and $(JT)'$ denote, respectively, the dual bundle of T and JT and $(\wedge^p T') \wedge (\wedge^q (JT)'),$ denotes the subbundle of $\wedge^{p+q}(JT)'$ whose fiber over a point x of M is spanned by the elements of the form $\omega_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \omega_p \wedge \eta_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \eta_q$ ($\omega_i \in T'_x, \eta_j \in (JT)'_x$). It follows then that $d(F_r C_{\mathfrak{A}}^m(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F})) \subset F_r C_{\mathfrak{A}}^{m+1}(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F}),$ and we shall denote by $\{E_r^{p,q}, d_r^{p,q}\}$ the spectral sequence associated with this filtration, which is convergent to $H_{\mathfrak{A}}^*(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F}).$ Then we can show

Lemma 2. $E_{\mathfrak{A}}^{p,q} \cong H^p(M, \bar{\mathcal{O}}) \otimes H^q(\mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{C}); \mathbb{C}).$

Using a formula in the Chern-Weil theory, we can prove the degeneracy of the spectral sequence:

Lemma 3. $d_r^{p,q} = 0$ for $r \geq 2.$

These two lemmas clearly imply Theorem 1.

In order to prove Theorem 2, we introduce a similar filtration in the complex $C_{\mathcal{A}}(\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{F})$ and compare the E_1 -terms. Then the proof is reduced to the calculation of the cohomology of formal vector fields.

The proof of Theorem 3 is similar to that of Theorem 1.

§ 6. Finally we remark that Theorem 2 enables us to improve Theorem 3.9 of [4]. Let E be a complex smooth vector bundle over M and let $\Gamma(E)$ be the space of smooth cross-sections of $E.$ $\Gamma(E)$ is called a *differential \mathcal{A} -module of connection type* if $\Gamma(E)$ is an \mathcal{A} -module such that $\text{supp}(Xs) \subset \text{supp}(X) \cap \text{supp}(s)$ and $X(fs) = (Xf)s + f(Xs)$ holds for $X \in \mathcal{A}, s \in \Gamma(E), f \in \mathcal{F}.$ Then

Theorem 4. *If $\Gamma(E)$ is a differential \mathcal{A} -module of connection type, then $\kappa^*(\text{Chern}(E)) = 0,$ where $\text{Chern}(E)$ denotes the subring of $H^*(M, \mathbb{C})$ generated by the Chern classes $c_i(E)$ ($i \geq 1$) and $\kappa^*: H^*(M, \mathbb{C}) \rightarrow H^*(M, \bar{\mathcal{O}})$ denotes the homomorphism induced by the inclusion map $\kappa: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \bar{\mathcal{O}}.$*

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