

**96. Propagation of Singularities for Microdifferential  
Equations with Multiple Self-tangential  
Involutory Characteristics**

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**§ 1. Introduction.** We study a class of microdifferential equations with multiple involutory characteristics. Explicitly, let  $M$  be a real analytic manifold of dimension  $n$  with a complex neighborhood  $X$  and let  $\mathfrak{M}$  be a coherent  $\mathcal{E}_X$  module defined in a neighborhood of  $\rho_0 \in T_M^*X \setminus M$ . (See M. Sato *et al.* [4] and P. Schapira [5] for  $\mathcal{E}_X$ .) We assume that the characteristic variety of  $\mathfrak{M}$  is written in a neighborhood of  $\rho_0$  as

$$(1) \quad \text{ch}(\mathfrak{M}) = \{\rho \in T^*X; p_1(\rho) \cdot p_2(\rho) \cdots p_l(\rho) = 0\}$$

by homogeneous holomorphic functions  $p_1, \dots, p_{l-1}$  and  $p_l$  defined in a neighborhood of  $\rho_0$ . Here  $p_1, \dots, p_{l-1}$  and  $p_l$  satisfy the following conditions (2), (3) and (4).

$$(2) \quad p_1, \dots, p_{l-1} \text{ and } p_l \text{ are real valued on } T_M^*X.$$

We set  $S_j = \{\rho \in T_M^*X; p_j(\rho) = 0\}$  ( $1 \leq j \leq l$ ) and assume

$$(3) \quad S_j \text{'s are regular (non-radical) non-singular hypersurfaces and } \Sigma = \bigcap_{1 \leq j \leq l} S_j \text{ is a regular involutory submanifold of } T_M^*X \text{ of codimension } d.$$

$$(4) \quad S_i \text{ and } S_j \text{ are tangent to each other of order } k_0 (\geq 1) \text{ on } \Sigma \text{ in case } i \neq j. \text{ This implies that the jets of } S_i \text{ and } S_j \text{ coincide up to order } k_0 \text{ and that } S_i \text{ and } S_j \text{ intersect only on } \Sigma \text{ if } i \neq j.$$

The above class of equations is studied by N. Dencker [1] in  $C^\infty$  case and we study the analytic case under somewhat weaker conditions. The author emphasizes here that we pose no assumption on the multiplicities of the equations and that only the geometry of the characteristic varieties is concerned if we employ the theory of microlocal study of sheaves due to M. Kashiwara and P. Schapira [3]. See also N. Tose [9], [10] and [12] for related results about propagation of singularities for systems with involutory characteristics.

**§ 2. Notation.** To state the results, we give some prerequisites about 2-microfunctions.

Let  $A$  be a complexifications of  $\Sigma$  in  $T^*X$ . Then  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  denotes the union of all bicharacteristic leaves of  $A$  issued from  $\Sigma$ . M. Kashiwara introduced the sheaf  $\mathcal{C}_\Sigma^2$  of 2-microfunctions along  $\Sigma$  on  $T_\Sigma^* \tilde{\Sigma}$ . By  $\mathcal{C}_\Sigma^2$ , we can study the properties of microfunctions on  $\Sigma$  precisely. Actually, we have exact sequences

$$(5) \quad 0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}_{\tilde{\Sigma}}^2|_{\tilde{\Sigma}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}_\Sigma^2 \longrightarrow \pi_{\Sigma*}(\mathcal{C}_\Sigma^2|_{T_\Sigma^* \tilde{\Sigma}}) \longrightarrow 0 \quad (\pi_\Sigma: T_\Sigma^* \tilde{\Sigma} \setminus \Sigma \longrightarrow \Sigma)$$

and

$$(6) \quad 0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}_M|_{\Sigma} \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}_{\Sigma}^2.$$

Here  $\mathcal{B}_{\Sigma}^2 = \mathcal{C}_{\Sigma}^2|_{\Sigma}$  and  $\mathcal{C}_{\Sigma}$  is the sheaf of microfunctions along  $\tilde{\Sigma}$ . Moreover we have a canonical spectral map

$$(7) \quad Sp_{\Sigma}^2 : \pi_{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathcal{C}_M|_{\Sigma}) \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}_{\Sigma}^2,$$

by which we define the 2-singular spectrum for  $u \in \mathcal{C}_M|_{\Sigma}$  as

$$(8) \quad SS_{\Sigma}^2(u) = \text{supp}(Sp_{\Sigma}^2(u)).$$

Refer to M. Kashiwara and Y. Laurent [2] and Y. Laurent [4] for more details about 2-microfunctions.

**§ 3. Statement of the result.** By the assumption (4), we see easily that the Hamiltonian vector fields  $H_{p_1}, \dots, H_{p_{l-1}}$  and  $H_{p_l}$  are tangential on  $\Sigma$ . The phenomenon on  $\Sigma$  of microfunction solutions to  $\mathfrak{M}$  is given by

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $u$  be a section of  $\mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{E}_X}(\mathfrak{M}, \mathcal{C}_M)$  defined in a neighborhood of  $\rho_0$ . Then  $\text{supp}(u) \cap \Sigma$  is invariant under  $H_{p_1}$ .*

The proof of the theorem above will be given in § 4 by stating the corresponding results concerning propagation of 2-microlocal singularities.

**§ 4. Proof of Theorem 1.** By finding a suitable real quantized contact transformation, we may assume from the beginning that

$$(9) \quad p_1(z, \zeta) = \zeta_1.$$

Moreover, we may assume

$$(10) \quad \Sigma = \{(x, \sqrt{-1}\xi \cdot dx) \in T_M^*X; \xi_1 = \dots = \xi_d = 0\}.$$

Here we take a coordinate of  $\sqrt{-1}T^*\mathbf{R}^n$  [resp.  $T^*\mathbf{C}^n$ ] as  $(x, \sqrt{-1}\xi \cdot dx)$  [resp.  $(z, \zeta \cdot dz)$ ] with  $x, \xi \in \mathbf{R}^n$  [resp.  $z, \zeta \in \mathbf{C}^n$ ] and set  $\zeta' = (\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_d)$ . Since  $S_j$  is tangent to  $S_1$ , we can rewrite  $p_j$  as

$$(11) \quad p_j = \zeta_1 + A_j(z, \tilde{\zeta}).$$

Here  $A_j$  is homogeneous of order 1 and  $\tilde{\zeta} = (\zeta_2, \dots, \zeta_n)$ . By the assumption (4),  $A_j$ 's are written as

$$(12) \quad A_j(z, \tilde{\zeta}) = \sum_{|\alpha| = k_0 + 1} A_j^{\alpha}(z, \tilde{\zeta}) \cdot \tilde{\zeta}'^{\alpha}$$

with  $\tilde{\zeta}' = (\zeta_2, \dots, \zeta_d)$ . We put  $N = \mathbf{C}_{z'}^d \times \mathbf{R}_{x''}^{n-d}$  in  $X = \mathbf{C}^n$  with  $z' = (z_1, \dots, z_d)$  and  $x'' = (x_{d+1}, \dots, x_n)$ . Then we have

$$(13) \quad \tilde{\Sigma} \sim T_N^*X$$

and  $\mathcal{C}_{\tilde{\Sigma}}$  is nothing but the sheaf of microfunctions with holomorphic parameters  $z'$ :

$$(14) \quad \mathcal{C}_{\tilde{\Sigma}} = \mu_N(\mathcal{O}_X)[n-d].$$

Here  $\mu_N(\cdot)$  is the functor of Sato's microlocalization defined in [3]. We take a coordinate of  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  as  $(z', x''; \sqrt{-1}\xi'' dx'')$  with  $\xi'' = (\xi_{d+1}, \dots, \xi_n)$  and that of  $T_{\tilde{\Sigma}}^*\tilde{\Sigma}$  as  $(z', x''; \sqrt{-1}\xi''; z'^*dz' + \sqrt{-1}x''^*dx + \sqrt{-1}\xi''^*d\xi'')$  with  $z'^* = (z_1^*, \dots, z_d^*) \in \mathbf{C}^d$  and  $x''^* = (x_{d+1}^*, \dots, x_n^*)$ ,  $\xi''^* = (\xi_{d+1}^*, \dots, \xi_n^*) \in \mathbf{R}^{n-d}$ .

Moreover, in the case above, we have

$$(15) \quad \mathcal{C}_{\Sigma}^2 = \mu_{\Sigma}(\mathcal{C}_{\tilde{\Sigma}})[d] \sim \mu \text{Hom}(Z_{\Sigma}, \mathcal{C}_{\tilde{\Sigma}})[d]$$

and

$$(16) \quad \mathbf{R} \mathcal{H}om_{\pi^{-1}(\mathcal{E}_{X_1, \Sigma})}(\pi^{-1}(\mathfrak{M}|_{\Sigma}), \mathcal{C}_{\Sigma}^2) \sim \mu \text{Hom}(Z_{\Sigma}, \mathcal{F})[d] \quad (\pi : T_{\tilde{\Sigma}}^*\tilde{\Sigma} \longrightarrow \Sigma)$$

where  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbf{R} \mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{E}_X}(\mathfrak{M}, \mathcal{C}_{\tilde{\Sigma}})$ . (See [3] for the definition of the bifunctor

$\mu\text{Hom}(\cdot, \cdot)$ . We can calculate the microsupport of  $\mathcal{F}$  by Theorem 10.5.1. of Kashiwara-Schapira [3] as

$$(17) \quad SS(\mathcal{F}) \subset C_{\mathcal{F}}(ch(\mathcal{M})) \subset \{(z', x''; \sqrt{-1}\xi''; z'^*dz' + \sqrt{-1}x''^*dx'' + \sqrt{-1}\xi''^*d\xi''); z_1^* = 0\}.$$

Thus we have

$$(18) \quad SS(\mathcal{F}) \subset \{\text{Re } z_1^* = 0\} \quad \text{and} \quad SS(\mathcal{Z}_x) = T_x^* \tilde{\Sigma} \subset \{\text{Re } z_1^* = 0\}.$$

By (16) and (18), we can apply Theorem 5 of N. Tose [11] and show that for any section  $u$  of  $H^j(\mathcal{R}\mathcal{H}om_{\pi^{-1}(\mathcal{E}_{x|X})}(\pi^{-1}(\mathcal{M}|_x), \mathcal{C}_x^2))$ ,  $\text{supp}(u)$  is invariant under  $\partial/\partial x_1$ . This implies the assertion of Theorem 1. (q.e.d.)

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