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3. LECTURE 3. RS IN HIGH DIMENSION

We have discussed the notion of RS in dimensions ≤ 1 .

How to define the notion of RS in higher dimensions?

Recall, that in case of holonomic modules and complexes we could give a definition using restrictions to points. So we can define RS using restrictions to curves. Later we will discuss other approaches.

Let X be an algebraic variety. A **test curve on X** is a morphism $\nu : C \rightarrow X$, where C is a smooth curve.

Definition. . A \mathcal{D} -complex F on X is called RS if it is holonomic and for any test curve (C, ν) the restriction $\nu^!(F)$ is RS on the curve C .

We denote by $D_{RS}(\mathcal{D}_X)$ the category of RS -complexes (a full subcategory of $D(\mathcal{D}_X)$).

A \mathcal{D}_X -module is called RS if it is RS as a \mathcal{D}_X -complex. These modules form a full subcategory $RS(\mathcal{D}_X)$ of $M(\mathcal{D}_X)$.

Discussion – Pro and contra of this definition.

Our goal is to show the following

Theorem 3.1.

1. Subcategory D_{RS} is a triangulated subcategory closed under extensions.

2. Categories of RS complexes are preserved by all functors

$$\pi^!, \pi_*, \pi_!, \pi^*, \boxplus, \mathbb{D}, .$$

3. A \mathcal{D}_X -complex F is RS iff all its cohomology modules are RS .

4. The subcategory $RS(\mathcal{D}_X) \subset M(\mathcal{D}_X)$ is an abelian subcategory closed with respect to subquotients and extensions.

3.2. RS for smooth modules. We know that holonomic complexes can be generated by images of smooth \mathcal{D} -modules. So it is natural to study the notion RS first for smooth \mathcal{D} -modules.

Let X be a smooth variety, E a smooth \mathcal{D} -module on X . We can think about E as a vector bundle with a flat connection ∇ .

For any test curve $\nu : C \rightarrow X$ we see that \mathcal{D}_C -complex $\nu^!(E)$ up to cohomological shift coincides with the vector bundle $\nu^*(E)$ with induced connection. Hence E is RS iff it satisfies the following condition

(RS) For any test curve $\nu : C \rightarrow X$ the bundle $\nu^*(E)$ on C

(RS) for any test curve (ν, C) the bundle $\nu^*(E)$ on C is RS .

Let us consider slightly more general situation.

3.2.1. *Regular singularity along a closed subset S .* Let X be a smooth algebraic variety of dimension n , $S \subset X$ a closed subset (usually it will be a divisor).

Set $U = X \setminus S$ and denote by $j : U \rightarrow X$ the open imbedding.

Let E be a smooth \mathcal{D}_U -module. We would like to define a notion that E is RS along the subset S .

In this situation we consider **pointed test curves** Namely, this is a pointed smooth curve (C, s) equipped with a morphism $\nu : C \rightarrow X$ such that $\nu(s) \in S$ and $\nu(C \setminus s) \subset U$.

We say that E is **RS along S** if it satisfies the following condition

(RS) For any pointed test curve (ν, C, s) the bundle $\nu^*(E)$ on $C \setminus s$ is RS at the point s .

In the study of smooth RS -modules important role is played by the following informal

Principle. If the condition RS holds for many pointed test curves then it holds for all pointed test curves.

3.2.2. *RS along smooth divisor S.* Let us consider the important case when X is smooth and $S \subset X$ is a smooth divisor. We denote by $\mathcal{D}_{X,S}$ the sheaf of subalgebras in \mathcal{D}_X generated by \mathcal{O}_X and by vector fields tangent to S .

Locally we can choose coordinate system x_1, \dots, x_n on X such that S is defined by equation $t = 0$, where $t = x_n$. Then the algebra $\mathcal{D}_{X,S}$ is generated by \mathcal{O}_X and vector fields ∂_i for $i = 1, \dots, n-1$ and $d = t\partial_n$.

Let E be a smooth \mathcal{D}_U -module, where $U = X \setminus S$. We set $F := j_*(E)$.

Definition. 1. We call an S -lattice in F a coherent \mathcal{O}_X -submodule E' such that the restriction of E' to U coincides with E .

2. We say that the S -lattice E' is **admissible** if it is $\mathcal{D}_{X,S}$ -invariant.

3. We say that the smooth \mathcal{D} -module E is **algebraically RS along S** if the sheaf F has an admissible S -lattice.

It is easy to prove the following

Lemma 3.2.3. (i) Any two S -lattices E', E'' are (locally) t -equivalent, i.e. there exists a number N such that $E'' \subset t^{-N}E'$ and $E' \subset t^{-N}E''$.

(ii) If F has an admissible S -lattice, then any \mathcal{O}_X -coherent subsheaf $E' \subset F$ is contained in an admissible S -lattice.

$$X = \mathbb{A}^1, \quad S = \{0\}, \quad U = \mathbb{A}^1 \setminus 0$$

E corresponds to function

$$f = e^{1/t}$$

$$\partial_t f = \frac{1}{t^2} f$$

not regular at 0

We will prove the following key criterion of *RS*

Proposition 3.2.4. *E is algebraically RS along S iff it is RS along S, i.e. its restriction to any test curve is RS.*

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Corollary 3.2.5. *Let S be a smooth divisor.*

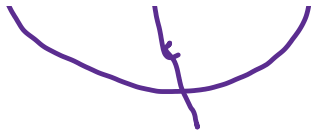
Suppose there exists an open dense subset $S' \subset S$ and its open neighborhood W in X such that the restriction of the smooth \mathcal{D}_X module E to W is RS along S' . Then E is RS along S .

Proof



$$F|_W \supset E' \text{ adms } \text{locally}$$

$$e: W \rightarrow X$$



$$H = h_*(E^1)_{\mathbb{A}^1}$$

$$H \subset F \text{ } \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{A}^1}$$

$$j: U \rightarrow X$$

$$F = j_*(E)$$

Claim. (1) H is $\mathcal{D}_{X,S}$ -invariant

(2) H is \mathcal{O}_X -coherent

if H is an admissible sheaf on $F \Rightarrow E$ is a l.c.s.

Proof of 2.

(i) H does not have torsion.

(ii) H is coherent on U and on W

$X \setminus (U \cup W)$ has codim ≥ 1

Lemma. Let \mathcal{H} be a sheaf.

\mathcal{O}_X -module X -inv.

Suppose \mathcal{H} is without torsion

and \mathcal{H} is coherent

outside of a closed subset T of codim ≥ 1 .

Then \mathcal{H} is coherent

$$V = X \setminus T \quad V: V \rightarrow X$$

$$\mathcal{H} \quad \mathcal{H} \subset \mathcal{N}_*(\mathcal{H}|_V)$$

Sublemma. $V \subset X$ -open.

R is \mathcal{O} -coherent \mathcal{O}_V -module without torsion

$U = X \setminus T$ codim $T \geq 1$.

Then $\mathcal{N}_*(R)$ is coherent

i) case $R = \mathcal{O}_V$

$$\mathcal{H} \subset \mathcal{O}_V^n$$

Functionals $f: R \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_V$ separate elements of R

Finite number of f separate.

$$R \subset \mathcal{O}_V^n.$$

3.2.6. Divisor with normal crossings.

 $S \subset X$

S -divisor with normal crossings if locally
 \exists coord. system x_1, \dots, x_n
 s.t. S is given by
 equation $x_1 \cdot x_2 \cdot \dots \cdot x_k = 0$



claim: cohomology holds in this case.

Example $X = \mathbb{A}^2$



Proof.

\mathcal{O}_X - sheaf of regular functions
 generated by ∂_x and vector fields tangent to S

Locally it is generated
 by $\partial_x, \partial_1, \dots, \partial_n$,
 $\partial_i = x_i \partial_{x_i} \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

Proposition. \mathbb{F} is cloacvaircell
 ... : it is

RS along $\sigma \rightarrow \dots$
 RS along S .

Proof

algebraic RS \Rightarrow RS.

we have admissible
 lattice $E' \subset F$

consider curve (C, π)
 with parameter $t \in \mathbb{A}^1$

$x_i = x_i(t)$, $x_i(0) = 0$ for $i =$
 $1, \dots, n-k$.

$x_i(t) = ct^{x_i} + \dots$

claim. Vector field $\mathbb{A}^1_{\mathbb{C}}$
 on \mathbb{C} can be extended
 to a vector field

$\mathbb{A}^1 \subset \mathbb{P}^1$ - tangent to \mathbb{A}^1

This implies that if

$E'|_C$ is an admissible
 lattice in $F|_C$.

Deligne's criterion

$X \rightarrow S$ E -smooth on $U \rightarrow S$