

REGULARITY OF  $\mathcal{D}$ -MODULES ASSOCIATED TO A SYMMETRIC PAIR: A CONJECTURE BY SEKIGUCHI

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $G_{\mathbb{R}}$  be a real semi-simple Lie group,  $\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{R}}$  its Lie algebra. A differential operator on  $G_{\mathbb{R}}$  is bi-invariant if it is invariant under the left and the right actions of  $G_{\mathbb{R}}$  on itself. A distribution  $T$  on  $G_{\mathbb{R}}$  is an invariant eigendistribution if  $T$  is invariant under the adjoint action of  $G_{\mathbb{R}}$  and  $T$  is an eigenvalue of each bi-invariant operator on  $G_{\mathbb{R}}$ . The characters of irreducible representations of  $G_{\mathbb{R}}$  satisfy these properties. A classical theorem of Harish-Chandra asserts:

**Theorem 1.1.** *Any invariant eigendistribution is  $L^1_{loc}$ .*

After transfer to the Lie algebra by the exponential map and conjugation by a suitable function,  $T$  is solution of a holonomic  $\mathcal{D}$ -module  $\mathcal{M}_{\lambda}$  defined on the complexification  $\mathfrak{g}$  of  $\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{R}}$ . In this paper, we will consider only complex Lie groups and Lie algebras.

The module  $\mathcal{M}_{\lambda}$  has been studied by R. Hotta and M. Kashiwara [2]. In particular, using a variant of Harish-Chandra theorem, they proved that this module is **regular holonomic**. Let us recall that a  $\mathcal{D}$ -module is holonomic if its characteristic variety is lagrangian while regularity is a generalization of Fuchsian differential equation. If  $\mathcal{M}$  is holonomic regular, its formal solutions are convergent, its solutions holomorphic outside a hypersurface are meromorphic and in the real domain, hyperfunction solutions are distributions.

A natural extension of the action of a semi-simple Lie group on its Lie algebra is a *symmetric pair*. If  $\mathfrak{g}$  is a reductive Lie algebra with an involution, it splits into its even and odd part,  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{k} \oplus \mathfrak{p}$ . The Lie group  $K$  associated to  $\mathfrak{k}$  acts on  $\mathfrak{p}$  and we say that  $(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{p})$  is a symmetric pair. The module  $\mathcal{M}_{\lambda}$  may still be defined in this case.

J. Sekiguchi proved that Harish-Chandra's theorem is not true in general and defined a condition on symmetric pairs under which the theorem is true (for hyperfunctions and for distributions). He conjectured that the module is regular [9].

We want to show here that

**Theorem 1.2.** *The module  $\mathcal{M}_{\lambda}$  is holonomic regular for any symmetric space.*

We will not give all the details of the proof which may be found in [7].

2. MICROCHARACTERISTIC VARIETIES AND REGULARITY

Let  $X$  be a complex analytic manifold and  $Y$  be submanifold of  $X$ . We denote by  $p : T_Y X \rightarrow X$  its normal bundle and by  $\pi : T_Y^* X \rightarrow X$  its conormal bundle. Remark that the duality between the fiber bundles  $T_Y X$  and  $T_Y^* X$  defines an isomorphism  $T^* T_Y X \simeq T^* T_Y^* X$ . We will also denote  $\Lambda = T_Y^* X$ .

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Let  $\mathcal{I}_Y$  be the ideal of  $\mathcal{O}_X$  defining  $Y$ . Kashiwara's  $V$ -filtration [3] is defined on differential operators by:

$$V_k \mathcal{D}_X = \{ P \in \mathcal{D}_X | \forall l \in \mathbb{Z}, P \mathcal{I}_Y^l \subset \mathcal{I}_Y^{l+k} \} \quad (2.1)$$

(with  $\mathcal{I}_Y^l = \mathcal{O}_X$  if  $l \leq 0$ ).

In local coordinates such that  $Y = \{(x, t) \in X \mid t = 0\}$ , the operators  $x_i$  and  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$  are of order 0 for the  $V$ -filtration while operators  $t_j$  are of order  $-1$  and  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t_j}$  of order  $+1$ .

By definition, the associated graded ring  $gr_V \mathcal{D}_X = \bigoplus V_k \mathcal{D}_X / V_{k-1} \mathcal{D}_X$  operates on  $\bigoplus \mathcal{I}_Y^k / \mathcal{I}_Y^{k-1}$ . Let  $\mathcal{O}_{[T_Y X]}$  be the sheaf of holomorphic functions on  $T_Y X$  which are polynomial in the fibers of  $p : T_Y X \rightarrow X$ . There is a canonical isomorphism  $\bigoplus \mathcal{I}_Y^k / \mathcal{I}_Y^{k-1} \simeq p_* \mathcal{O}_{[T_Y X]}$  which defines an identification of  $gr_V \mathcal{D}_X$  with  $p_* \mathcal{D}_{[T_Y X]}$ , the sheaf of differential operators on  $T_Y X$  with coefficients in  $\mathcal{O}_{[T_Y X]}$ .

Let  $P \in \mathcal{D}_X$  be a differential operator on  $X$  and denote by  $\sigma_Y(P)$  its image in  $gr_V \mathcal{D}_X$ . As  $\sigma_Y(P)$  is an operator on  $T_Y X$ , its principal symbol  $\sigma(\sigma_Y(P))$  is a function on the cotangent bundle  $T^* T_Y X$  hence as a function on  $T^* \Lambda$  through the isomorphism  $T^* T_Y X \simeq T^* \Lambda$  (see [6] for the details).

Then we say that the differential operator  $P$  is regular along  $\Lambda = T_Y^* X$  if the order of  $\sigma_Y(P)$  is equal to the order of  $P$ , (here the order is the usual order of differential operators) and define:

$$\sigma_{\Lambda(\infty,1)}(P) = \begin{cases} \sigma(\sigma_Y(P)), & \text{if } P \text{ is regular;} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (2.2)$$

Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be a coherent ideal of  $\mathcal{D}_X$  and  $\mathcal{M}$  be the  $\mathcal{D}_X$ -module  $\mathcal{D}_X / \mathcal{I}$ . As is well known, the characteristic variety of  $\mathcal{M}$  is given by

$$Ch(\mathcal{M}) = \{ (x, \xi) \in T^* X \mid \forall P \in \mathcal{I}, \sigma(P)(x, \xi) = 0 \}$$

In the same way we define the microcharacteristic variety of  $\mathcal{M}$  as the analytic subset of  $T^* \Lambda$  given by

$$Ch_{\Lambda(\infty,1)}(\mathcal{M}) = \{ \lambda \in T^* \Lambda \mid \forall P \in \mathcal{I}, \sigma_{\Lambda(\infty,1)}(P)(\lambda) = 0 \}$$

This definition may be extended to any coherent  $\mathcal{D}_X$ -module  $\mathcal{M}$  by means of a bifiltration (see [8][5][6]) but we will not use this here.

Assume now that  $\mathcal{M}$  is holonomic. Then its characteristic variety is lagrangian and its irreducible components are generically the conormal to a submanifold of  $X$ . So if  $\Lambda$  is an irreducible component of the characteristic variety of  $\mathcal{M}$ , we say that  $\mathcal{M}$  has regular singularities along  $\Lambda$  if  $Ch_{\Lambda(\infty,1)}(\mathcal{M}) = \Lambda$  on a dense open subset of  $\Lambda$ . It has been proved in [5, Theorem 3.1.7.] that this definition is equivalent to the original one given by Kashiwara-Kawai in [4, Definition 1.1.11.].

**Definition 2.1.** (Kashiwara-Kawai [4]) A holonomic  $\mathcal{D}_X$ -module  $\mathcal{M}$  is **regular** if it has regular singularities along each irreducible component of its characteristic variety.

### 3. QUASI-HOMOGENEOUS MICROCHARACTERISTIC VARIETY

The definitions of section 2 are associated to the canonical action of  $\mathbb{C}$  on the fibers of  $T_Y^* X$ . Here we will give similar definitions in a quasi-homogeneous case. Intrinsic definitions have been given in [1] but for simplicity, we will give them here in local coordinates.

So let  $Y = \{ (x_1, \dots, x_p, t_1, \dots, t_d) \in X \mid t = 0 \}$ ,  $(m_1, \dots, m_d)$  strictly positive relatively prime integers and consider the vector field  $\theta_m = \sum_{i=1}^d m_i t_i \frac{\partial}{\partial t_i}$ .

We say that  $P$  is quasi-homogeneous of degree  $k$  if  $[P, \theta_m] = kP$  and that  $P$  is of order  $k$  for the  $V^{\theta_m}$ -filtration if  $P$  may be written as a (convergent) series  $\sum_{l \leq k} P_l$  with  $P_l$  homogeneous of degree  $l$ . Remark that if all  $m_i$  are equal to 1, this filtration is the  $V$ -filtration (2.1).

If  $P = \sum_{l \leq k} P_l$  with  $P_l$  homogeneous of degree  $l$  and  $P_k \neq 0$ , we denote  $\sigma_Y(P) = P_k$  and say that  $P$  is quasi-regular along  $Y$  if the order of  $\sigma_Y(P)$  is equal to the order of  $P$ . We define  $\sigma_{\Lambda}^{\theta_m}(\infty, 1)(P)$  by the formula (2.2) and the microcharacteristic variety  $Ch_{\Lambda}^{\theta_m}(\infty, 1)(\mathcal{M})$ .

Let  $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{D}_X/\mathcal{I}$  be a holonomic  $\mathcal{D}_X$ -module. If  $\Lambda$  is an irreducible component of the characteristic variety of  $\mathcal{M}$ , we say that  $\mathcal{M}$  is quasi-regular along  $\Lambda$  if  $Ch_{\Lambda}^{\theta_m}(\infty, 1)(\mathcal{M}) = \Lambda$  on a dense open subset of  $\Lambda$ .

**Theorem 3.1.** [7, Corollary 1.4.4] *A holonomic module is regular if it is regular or quasi-regular along each irreducible component of its characteristic variety.*

This theorem has been proved in [7] using a ramification map  $(t_1, \dots, t_d) \mapsto (t_1^{m_1}, \dots, t_d^{m_d})$  and the fact that regularity is preserved under inverse and direct image (Kashiwara-Kawai [4]).

We will now show that, under suitable conditions, the microcharacteristic varieties are preserved under inverse images. Let  $\varphi : Z \rightarrow X$  be an analytic map. A vector field  $u$  on  $Z$  is said to be *tangent to the fibers of  $\varphi$*  if  $u(f \circ \varphi) = 0$  for all  $f$  in  $\mathcal{O}_X$ . A differential operator  $P$  on  $Z$  is said to be *invariant under  $\varphi$*  if there exists a differential operator  $A$  on  $X$  such that  $P(f \circ \varphi) = A(f) \circ \varphi$  for all  $f$  in  $\mathcal{O}_X$ . If  $\varphi$  has a dense range in  $X$ ,  $A$  is uniquely determined by  $P$  and we will denote by  $A = \varphi_*(P)$  the image of  $P$  in  $\mathcal{D}_X$  under this ring homomorphism.

Let  $Z = \mathbb{C}^{p+d}$  and  $\varphi : Z \rightarrow X = \mathbb{C}^d$  defined by  $(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_d)$  where  $\varphi_i$  is homogeneous of degree  $m_i$ . Let  $E$  be the Euler vector field and  $\theta = \sum m_i t_i \frac{\partial}{\partial t_i}$ .

Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal of  $\mathcal{D}_Z$  which is generated by all the vector fields tangent to the fibers of  $\varphi$  and by a finite set  $(P_1, \dots, P_l)$  of differential operators invariant under  $\varphi$ . Let  $\mathcal{J}$  be the ideal of  $\mathcal{D}_X$  generated by  $(\varphi_*(P_1), \dots, \varphi_*(P_l))$ . Let  $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{D}_Z/\mathcal{I}$  and  $\mathcal{N} = \mathcal{D}_X/\mathcal{J}$  and put on  $\mathcal{M}$  and  $\mathcal{N}$  the filtrations induced by  $V\mathcal{D}_Z$  and  $V^{\theta}\mathcal{D}_X$ . The modules  $\mathcal{M}$  and  $\mathcal{N}$  are also provided by the filtrations induced by the usual filtrations (by the order) of  $\mathcal{D}_Z$  and  $\mathcal{D}_X$ , we say that they are bi-filtrated.

**Theorem 3.2.** [7, Proposition 2.3.2.] *There exists a canonical morphism of  $\mathcal{D}_Z$ -modules  $\mathcal{M} \rightarrow \varphi^*\mathcal{N}$  which is a morphism of bi-filtrated modules and an isomorphism at the points where  $\varphi$  is a submersion.*

Let  $Y = \varphi^{-1}(\{0\})$  and  $x$  be a point of  $Y$  where  $\varphi$  is a submersion. In a neighborhood of  $x$ ,  $Z$  is isomorphic to  $X \times Y$  and if we fix such an isomorphism,  $\theta$  which is a vector field on  $X$  may be considered as a vector field on  $Z$ . Remark that  $\theta$  differ from  $E$  by a vector field tangent to  $\varphi$ . Then:

**Corollary 3.3.** *The microcharacteristic variety  $Ch_Y(\infty, 1)(\mathcal{M})$  is equal to  $Ch^{\theta}(\infty, 1)(\mathcal{M})$  in a neighborhood of  $x$ .*

## 4. SYMMETRIC PAIRS

Let  $G$  be a complex reductive Lie group and  $\mathfrak{g}$  its Lie algebra. Then  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{c} \oplus [\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}]$  where  $\mathfrak{c}$  is the center and  $[\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}]$  is a semi-simple Lie algebra. For example,  $\mathfrak{gl}_n(\mathbb{C}) = \mathbb{C} \oplus \mathfrak{sl}_n(\mathbb{C})$ .

If  $X \in \mathfrak{g}$ ,  $AdX$  is the endomorphism of  $\mathfrak{g}$  given by  $Y \mapsto [X, Y]$ . The Killing form on  $[\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}]$  is defined by  $\kappa_0(X, Y) = Trace(AdXAdY)$ . Let us choose a non-degenerate  $G$ -invariant symmetric bilinear form  $\kappa$  on  $\mathfrak{g}$  such that its restriction to  $[\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}]$  is  $\kappa_0$ . Let  $\vartheta$  be an involutive automorphism on  $\mathfrak{g}$  preserving  $\kappa$ , we define  $\mathfrak{k} = Ker(\vartheta - I)$  and  $\mathfrak{p} = Ker(\vartheta + I)$ .

Then  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{k} \oplus \mathfrak{p}$  and the pair  $(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{p})$  or  $(\mathfrak{g}, \vartheta)$  is called a symmetric pair. Here  $\mathfrak{k}$  is a reductive Lie algebra and  $K$ , the subgroup of  $G$  associated to  $\mathfrak{k}$ , acts on  $\mathfrak{p}$  by the adjoint action.

*Example 4.1.* (diagonal) If  $G_0$  is a reductive Lie group,  $\mathfrak{g}_0$  its Lie algebra,  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{g}_0$  and  $\vartheta(x, y) = (y, x)$ ,  $K$  is equal to  $G_0$  acting on its Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}_0$ .

*Example 4.2.* If  $G = Sl_n(\mathbb{C})$  and  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_n(\mathbb{C})$  with  $\vartheta(A) = -tr(A)$ , we find that  $\mathfrak{k}$  is the Lie algebra of antisymmetric matrices, and  $K = SO_n(\mathbb{C})$  acts on  $\mathfrak{p}$  the set of symmetric matrices.

We will now defines the holonomic  $\mathcal{D}$ -modules associated to a symmetric pair. As  $\mathfrak{p}$  is a vector space,  $T\mathfrak{p} \simeq \mathfrak{p} \times \mathfrak{p}$ . Any  $A \in \mathfrak{k}$  defines a vector field on  $\mathfrak{p}$  tangent to the orbits by the map  $\tau(A)(X) = (X, [X, A])$  from  $\mathfrak{p}$  to  $T\mathfrak{p} \simeq \mathfrak{p} \times \mathfrak{p}$ . The action of  $\tau(A)$  on a function  $f$  on  $\mathfrak{p}$  is given by:

$$\tau(A)(f)(X) = \frac{d}{dt} f(\exp(-tA).X)|_{t=0}$$

The set  $\tau(\mathfrak{k})$  of all vector fields  $\tau(A)$  for  $A \in \mathfrak{k}$  generates the vector fields tangent to the orbits.

Let  $\mathfrak{p}^*$  the dual of  $\mathfrak{p}$  (as a  $\mathbb{C}$ -vector space), then an element  $P$  of  $\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{p}^*]$  (polynomial functions on  $\mathfrak{p}^*$ ) defines a differential operator with constant coefficients on  $\mathfrak{p}$  by  $P(\xi) \mapsto P(\frac{\partial}{\partial x})$ . The set  $\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{p}^*]^K$  of polynomials on  $\mathfrak{p}^*$  invariant under the action of  $K$  is very simple by Chevalley theorem: there are algebraically independent invariant polynomials  $q_1, \dots, q_d$  such that  $\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{p}^*]^K$  is equal to  $\mathbb{C}[q_1, \dots, q_d]$ , hence it is isomorphic to the algebra of polynomials  $\mathbb{C}[t_1, \dots, t_d]$ .

*Example 4.3.* In the case of  $Gl_n$  the invariant functions are the polynomials in the coefficients of the characteristic polynomial.

Let  $F$  be a finite codimensional ideal of  $\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{p}^*]^K$ . For example, if  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{p}^*$ , then  $F_\lambda = \{P - P(\lambda) \mid P \in \mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{p}^*]^K\}$  is finite codimensional.

**Definition 4.4.** The module  $\mathcal{M}_F$  is the quotient of  $\mathcal{D}_X$  by the ideal generated by  $\tau(\mathfrak{k})$  and  $F$ .

**Proposition 4.5.**  $\mathcal{M}_F$  is a holonomic  $\mathcal{D}_\mathfrak{p}$ -module

The characteristic variety of  $\mathcal{M}$  is a subset of  $T^*\mathfrak{p}$  which is isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{p} \times \mathfrak{p}^*$ . If  $\mathfrak{p}^*$  is identified to  $\mathfrak{p}$  by the non degenerate bilinear form  $\kappa$ , the characteristic variety may be defined as a subset of  $\mathfrak{p} \times \mathfrak{p}$ . Let  $\mathfrak{n}$  be the set of nilpotent elements of  $\mathfrak{p}$ , then

$$Ch(\mathcal{M}) \subset \{(X, Y) \in \mathfrak{p} \times \mathfrak{p} \mid [X, Y] = 0, Y \in \mathfrak{n}\}$$

*Proof.* Let  $B : \mathfrak{p} \rightarrow \mathfrak{p}^*$  the isomorphism given by  $\kappa(X, Y) = \langle X, B(Y) \rangle$ .

Let  $(X, Y) \in Ch(\mathcal{M})$ , then for all  $A \in \mathfrak{k}$ ,  $\langle [A, X], B(Y) \rangle = 0$ . So we have  $\kappa(A, [X, Y]) = \kappa([A, X], Y) = \langle [A, X], B(Y) \rangle = 0$  and as  $\kappa$  is non degenerate on  $\mathfrak{k}$ , this implies  $[X, Y] = 0$ .

On the other hand, the graduate of  $F$  is  $F_0$  the set of invariant polynomials vanishing at 0, and the common roots of these polynomial are exactly the nilpotent elements.  $\square$

Now our main theorem is

**Theorem 4.6.** *The  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -module  $\mathcal{M}_F$  is holonomic regular.*

This shows in particular that all hyperfunctions solutions of this system of partial differential equations are distributions.

#### A VERY SIMPLE EXAMPLE: $\mathfrak{sl}_2(\mathbb{C})$

$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2(\mathbb{C})$  is the set of matrices  $\begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ z & -x \end{pmatrix}$ .

regular orbits are given by  $\{x^2 + yz = a\}$ ,  $a \neq 0$  and there are 2 nilpotent orbits  $\{x^2 + yz = 0, (x, y, z) \neq (0, 0, 0)\}$  and  $\{(0, 0, 0)\}$ .

$\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{g}]^G$  is the set of functions  $f(x^2 + yz)$

$\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{g}^*]^G$  is the set of functions  $f(\xi^2 + 4\eta\zeta)$

$\tau(\mathfrak{g})$  is generated by the 3 vector fields

$$u = 2x \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - z \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

$$v = 2x \frac{\partial}{\partial z} - y \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

$$w = y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - z \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$$

Then the module  $\mathcal{M}_\lambda$  is given by the equations

$$u, v, w, \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)^2 + 4\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\frac{\partial}{\partial z} - \lambda$$

Its characteristic variety is the union of the zero section of  $T^*\mathfrak{g}$  and of the closure of the conormal to the non-zero nilpotent orbit.

#### 5. SKETCH OF PROOF FOR THE MAIN THEOREM

We shall give here an idea of the proof of the main theorem, details may be found in [7].

The first step is a reduction to the nilpotent points. Any  $X \in \mathfrak{p}$  has a Jordan decomposition, that is may be written in a unique way as  $X = S + N$  where  $S$  is semi-simple,  $N$  is nilpotent and  $[S, N] = 0$ . Then  $\mathfrak{g}^S = \{Z \in \mathfrak{g} \mid [Z, S] = 0\}$  is a reductive Lie algebra and  $(\mathfrak{g}^S, \mathfrak{p}^S)$  is a symmetric pair of dimension strictly lower to the dimension of the initial pair if  $S \neq 0$ .

In a neighborhood of  $S$ ,  $(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{p})$  is isomorphic to the product of  $(\mathfrak{g}^S, \mathfrak{p}^S)$  by the orbit of  $S$  and  $\mathcal{M}_F$  is isomorphic to the product of a module  $\mathcal{N}_{F'}$  of the same kind on  $\mathfrak{p}^S$  by holomorphic functions on the orbit.

By induction on the dimension,  $\mathcal{N}_{F'}$  is regular hence  $\mathcal{M}_F$  is regular in a neighborhood  $\Omega$  of  $S$ . As  $\mathcal{M}_F$  is invariant under the action of  $K$ , it is regular in a neighborhood of the orbits which meet  $\Omega$ . The nilpotent orbits are conic hence  $S$  is in the closure of the orbit of  $X$  and thus  $\mathcal{M}_F$  is regular in a neighborhood of  $X$ .

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So we may now assume that  $S = 0$ , that is that  $X$  is nilpotent. We have to prove that  $\mathcal{M}$  is regular or quasi-regular along the nilpotent orbits and the second step will be to consider the null orbit.

We consider the  $V$ -filtration associated to 0, that is given by the Euler vector field of  $\mathfrak{p}$ ,  $E = \sum x_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$ . Here all is linear hence  $\Lambda = T_{\{0\}}^* \mathfrak{p}$  is identified to  $\mathfrak{p}$  and  $T^* \Lambda$  is identified to  $T^* \mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{p} \times \mathfrak{p}^*$ .

Let us calculate the symbol  $\sigma_{\Lambda(\infty,1)}(\tau(P))$  for the operators of  $\tau(\mathfrak{k})$  and  $F$ :

a) If  $A \in \mathfrak{k}$ , by definition  $\tau(A)(f)(X) = \frac{d}{dt} f(\exp(-tA).X)|_{t=0}$  and  $E(f)(X) = \frac{d}{dt} f(tX)|_{t=0}$  hence they commute. So  $\tau(A)$  is homogeneous of order 0 for the  $V$ -filtration and by definition  $\sigma_{\Lambda(\infty,1)}(\tau(A)) = \sigma(\tau(A))$ .

b) If  $P$  is an operator with constant coefficients, the  $V$ -filtration at 0 is the usual filtration and again  $\sigma_{\Lambda(\infty,1)}(P) = \sigma(P)$ . So we have

$$Ch_{\Lambda(\infty,1)}(\mathcal{M}) \subset \{(X, Y) \in \mathfrak{p} \times \mathfrak{p} \mid [X, Y] = 0, Y \in \mathfrak{n}\} \quad (5.1)$$

Remark that  $T_{\{0\}}^* \mathfrak{p}$  is not a component of the characteristic of  $\mathcal{M}$  (because there are always some  $Y$  which is not nilpotent) hence we do not have to verify that  $Ch_{\Lambda(\infty,1)}(\mathcal{M}) \subset \Lambda$ .

Now we use inclusion (5.1) to show that  $\mathcal{M}_\lambda^F$  is regular along the other nilpotent orbits. A nilpotent orbit  $\mathfrak{S}$  is conic hence defined by homogeneous functions  $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_p$ ,  $\varphi_i$  being homogeneous of degree  $m_i$ .

In fact, it is known [9], that we can choose coordinates  $(x, t)$  in a neighborhood of  $X \in \mathfrak{S}$  such that  $\varphi_i = t_i$  and  $\theta = \sum m_i t_i \frac{\partial}{\partial t_i}$  is equal to  $E$  modulo vector fields tangent to the orbits.

Applying the inverse image theorem (corollary 3.3) we deduce that

$$Ch^\theta_{(\infty,1)}(\mathcal{M}) = Ch_{\Lambda(\infty,1)}(\mathcal{M}) \subset \{(X, Y) \in \mathfrak{p} \times \mathfrak{p} \mid [X, Y] = 0, Y \in \mathfrak{n}\}$$

Suppose that  $T_{\mathfrak{S}}^* \mathfrak{p}$  is an irreducible component of the characteristic variety  $Ch(\mathcal{M}_F)$  and let  $x^*$  be a generic point of  $T_{\mathfrak{S}}^* \mathfrak{p}$ , that is a point which does not belong to other irreducible components of  $Ch(\mathcal{M}_F)$ . We have  $T_{\mathfrak{S}}^* \mathfrak{p} \subset Ch(\mathcal{M}_F) \subset (\mathfrak{p} \times \mathfrak{N}(\mathfrak{p})) \cap \mathcal{C}(\mathfrak{p})$  and as they have the same dimension, they are equal generically. So  $Ch^\theta_{(\infty,1)}(\mathcal{M}_F) = T_{\mathfrak{S}}^* \mathfrak{p}$  generically on  $T_{\mathfrak{S}}^* \mathfrak{p}$  and  $\mathcal{M}$  is quasi-regular along the orbit.

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