

REAL RELATIVE COHOMOLOGY OF FINITE-CODIMENSION GERMS

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1. Relative and vanishing cohomology. Let P be a germ at $0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ of a C^∞ function of finite codimension (see [7]). Let \mathcal{E}_n be the ring of germs at 0 of smooth functions: $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, m_n^∞ the ideal of flat germs of \mathcal{E}_n (i.e. with null Taylor expansion) and \mathcal{F}_n the ring of real formal series in n indeterminates X_1, \dots, X_n . Set Λ^\cdot (respectively $\Lambda_\infty^\cdot, \hat{\Lambda}^\cdot$) to be the de Rham complex of germs of smooth forms (resp. of forms of $m_n^\infty \Lambda^\cdot$, of "forms" in the module over \mathcal{F}_n spanned by dX_1, \dots, dX_n). We construct a relative de Rham complex $(\Lambda_{\text{rel}}^\cdot, d_{\text{rel}})$ (resp. $(\Lambda_{\infty \text{rel}}^\cdot, d_{\text{rel}}), (\hat{\Lambda}_{\text{rel}}^\cdot, d_{\text{rel}})$) using Leibniz rule, $\Lambda_{\text{rel}}^\cdot = \Lambda^\cdot / dP \wedge \Lambda^\cdot$ (resp. $\Lambda_{\infty \text{rel}}^\cdot = \Lambda_\infty^\cdot / dP \wedge \Lambda_\infty^\cdot, \hat{\Lambda}_{\text{rel}}^\cdot = \hat{\Lambda}^\cdot / dj^\infty P \wedge \hat{\Lambda}^\cdot, j^\infty$ the jet epimorphism, $\mathcal{E}_n \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_n$) this module is endowed with a natural structure of \mathcal{E}_1 (resp. $m_1^\infty, \mathcal{F}_1$)-module through P . By the chain rule d_{rel} is linear. Define H_{rel}^i (resp. $H_{\infty \text{rel}}^i, \hat{H}_{\text{rel}}^i$) as the cohomology module of the relative de Rham complex of smooth (resp. flat, formal) forms.

Relative cohomology appears in the study of hypersurface singularities. In the complex case, E. Brieskorn [2] proved that holomorphic relative cohomology is determined by the formal one (Bloom's theorem). In fact this cohomology is completely determined by the vanishing cohomology sheaf in the case of an isolated singularity (Brieskorn-Sebastiani).

We can define the real vanishing cohomology of P as the stalk at 0 of the sheaf $R^i P_*(\underline{\mathbb{R}})$, where $\underline{\mathbb{R}}$ is the constant sheaf on a small ball B at the origin of \mathbb{R}^n . By the fibration theorem, P if restricted to $B \cap P^{-1}((-\eta, \eta) - \{0\})$ with η small, is a fibre projection and $R^i P_*(\underline{\mathbb{R}})$ a real local system. Hence $R^i P_*(\underline{\mathbb{R}})$ is trivial over $(-\eta, 0)$ and $(0, \eta)$, the stalk being isomorphic to \mathbb{R}^{a-i} and \mathbb{R}^{a_i} respectively. Let b_i be $a_{-i} + a_i$; then b_i is the dimension of the i th vanishing cohomology space.

THEOREM 1. *The m_1^∞ -module $H_{\infty \text{rel}}^k$ is free of rank b_k .*

THEOREM 2. (a) *The sequence $0 \rightarrow \Lambda_{\infty \text{rel}}^\cdot \rightarrow \Lambda_{\text{rel}}^\cdot \rightarrow \hat{\Lambda}_{\text{rel}}^\cdot \rightarrow 0$ is exact over $0 \rightarrow m_n^\infty \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_n \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_n \rightarrow 0$.*

(b) *The long exact homology sequence associated to it has null connecting morphism.*

The first part is easy for finite-codimension germs and false for infinite-codimension ones. The second uses the result of Bloom-Brieskorn-Sebastiani except in degree 0. In this case a result of Moussu on Left equivalence of germs is used.

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COROLLARY. *The relative cohomology of smooth forms H_{rel}^* is an extension of \hat{H}_{rel}^* by $H_{\infty \text{rel}}^*$.*

2. Clemens structure over a divisor with normal crossings. Let p be a polynomial germ right equivalent to P . We shall use a resolution of the singularity of (p) (Hironaka's theorem), $\theta: \tilde{U} \rightarrow U$ for U a suitable neighborhood of $0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Let D be the total transform of (p) (determined by $q = p \circ \theta$) and E the exceptional divisor of θ . D has a decomposition $E \cup \tilde{X}_0$ where $\tilde{X}_0 - (E \cap \tilde{X}_0)$ is isomorphic to $\{p = 0\} - \{0\}$ and D has normal crossings.

Consider now any analytic divisor with normal crossings D in a real analytic manifold \tilde{U} .

DEFINITION. A Clemens structure over D in \tilde{U} is a functor assigning to each natural stratum X of D a germ of tubular neighborhood, $C(X)$ together with a C^∞ vector field ξ_X on it. Local models are $\xi_X = \sum r_i/y_i \partial/\partial y_i$ if D is (locally) defined by $y_1^{r_1} \dots y_c^{r_c}$ (c is then the codimension of X in \tilde{U}). The structural group of $C(X)$ is the group of all permutations up to sign of y_1, \dots, y_c . It is isomorphic to a semidirect product of \mathbb{Z}_2^c by the permutation group of c elements. To each incidence relation of natural strata $Y \leq X$ we assign an open immersion $C(Y) \rightarrow C(X)$ mapping ξ_Y onto ξ_X .

This definition differs from that of Arnold [1] in that the role played by the retraction deduced from the field ξ (obtained by patching the ξ_X) is emphasized.

THEOREM 3. *There exist a Clemens structure over D in \tilde{U} .*

The proof is by induction on the dimension of the strata as in Clemens paper [3] or in [8].

A definition of maps with moderate growth in D obtained by generalizing those in [5] allows us to handle flat forms. We thus obtain a one-to-one correspondence between forms flat on D and forms flat on $q^{-1}(\lambda) \times \{0\}$.

PROPOSITION. *Let $\varphi(x, t)$ be the flow of ξ in a neighborhood of D in \tilde{U} , $t(x, \eta)$ the function defined by the implicit relation $|q(\varphi(x, t(x, \eta)))| = \eta$. Then there exists $\lambda > 0$ so that the map*

$$\Phi: \tilde{U} - D \rightarrow q^{-1}(\lambda) \times \{(-\lambda, \lambda) - \{0\}\}: x \mapsto (\varphi(x, t(x, \lambda)), q(x))$$

(resp. its inverse) has moderate growth in D (resp. in $q^{-1}(\lambda) \times \{0\}$).

Next we prove the nullity of transversally formal relative cohomology (by using a Clemens structure over $E \cap \tilde{X}_0$ in \tilde{X}_0). This means that we have

LEMMA. *Each class in $H_{\infty \text{rel}}^k$ contains a form of $m_1^\infty \Lambda^k$.*

Then the proposition above allows the proof of Theorem 1 to be reduced to a problem with forms of $\Lambda^k q^{-1}(\lambda) \times \{[-1, 1] - \{0\}\}$ flat in $q^{-1}(\lambda) \times \{0\}$. The use of a theory of de Rham-Hodge for the manifold with boundary $q^{-1}(\lambda)$ gives a choice of forms over $q^{-1}(\lambda) \times \{[-1, 1] - \{0\}\}$. These forms give a basis for the vanishing cohomology and give also the isomorphism of the relative cohomology with $(m_1^\infty)^{b_k}$.

3. Local simultaneous reduction of a function and a volume form. We generalise the result of Colin de Verdière and Vey [4] about the reduction of a Morse germ to a quadratic form by diffeomorphisms preserving a fixed volume form. This we do by giving the normal forms of a volume form under the action of the group of all the diffeomorphisms stabilizing a given germ of function of finite codimension. This is a consequence of the structure of $H_{\infty \text{rel}}^{n-1}$ (compare [4, 6]). Let P be a codimension μ germ and $I(P)$ the group mentioned above.

THEOREM 4. (I) *Let the germ of $\{P = 0\}$ be different from $\{0\}$. There exist μ germs of n -forms w_i so that for each volume form w there exist $\varphi \in I(P)$ and $\psi_i \in \mathcal{E}_1$ such that $\varphi^*w = \sum \psi_i(P)w_i$.*

(II) *If the germ of $\{P = 0\}$ is $\{0\}$ then there exist μ germs of n -forms w_i and a germ of $n - 1$ -form w_0 differentiable except at 0, moderated at 0 so that for each volume form w there exist $\varphi \in I(P)$ and $\psi_i \in \mathcal{E}_1$ ($i > 0$), $\psi_0 \in m_1^\infty$ such that $\varphi^*w = \sum \psi_i(P)w_i + d(\psi_0(P)w_0)$.*

REMARK. The form w_0 is moderate in the sense above so that the forms in $m_1^\infty w_0$ are smooth at zero.

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