



DARBOUX'S THEOREM OF LOCALLY CONFORMALLY SYMPLECTIC MANIFOLDS

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ABSTRACT. Our purpose is to show simply the Darboux's theorem of locally conformally symplectic manifolds.

1. INTRODUCTION

A locally conformally symplectic manifold, l.c.s. for short, is a triple (M, α, Ω) , where M is a finite dimensional smooth manifold, Ω an almost symplectic form and α is a Lee form, such that $d_\alpha \Omega = d\Omega + \alpha \wedge \Omega = 0$ (see [3], [4] and the references given there). We will always assume that M is connected and $\partial M \neq \emptyset$. It is easily seen that, $d_\alpha \circ d_\alpha = 0$. Thus one obtains a twisted de Rham cohomology of the locally constant sheaf of d_α -constant functions. Note that since, $d_\alpha \Omega = 0$, Ω , defines a d_α -cohomology class $[\Omega] \in \mathcal{H}_{d_\alpha}^2(M)$. For some examples of l.c.s. manifolds see [1]. The standard model for locally conformally symplectic manifolds is construct in [2]. The theorem asserts that

Theorem 1.1. *Let (e_1, \dots, e_{2n}) be the canonical basis of \mathbb{R}^{2n} and (e_1^*, \dots, e_{2n}^*) the dual basis. For $i = 1, \dots, 2n$, e_i^* is the canonical projection. Let $\alpha_0 = de_{2n}^*$ and $\Omega_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n d_{\alpha_0} e_i^* \wedge de_{n+i}^*$. The triple $(\mathbb{R}^{2n}, \alpha_0, \Omega_0)$ is a locally conformally symplectic manifold.*

Our main result reads:

Theorem 1.2. *When (M, α, Ω) is a locally conformally symplectic manifold with dimension $2n$ ($n \geq 1$), then for any point $p \in M$, there exist an open neighborhood U of p in M and coordinate functions (x_1, \dots, x_{2n}) such that*

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha|_U &= dx_{2n}, \\ \Omega|_U &= \sum_{i=1}^n d_{\alpha|_U} x_i \wedge dx_{n+i}. \end{aligned}$$

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2. PROOF OF THE MAIN THEOREM

The following assumption will be needed throughout the paper.

Lemma 2.1. *Let $(\Omega_t)_{0 \leq t \leq 1}$ be a smooth family of l.c.s. forms on a compact manifold M , satisfying $\frac{d}{dt}\Omega_t = d\beta_t$. Suppose that for all $t \in [0, 1]$, the Lee form of Ω_t is the same 1-form α_t and $\Omega_t - \Omega_0$ is d_α -exact. Then there is an isotopy ψ_t such that $\psi_t^*\Omega_t = \Omega_0$ with $\psi_0 = id$.*

Proof. of Theorem 1.2. By the local nature of geometric structures, for any point $p \in M$, there exists a local chart (U, φ) , where U is a neighborhood of p such that

$$\varphi : U \longrightarrow \varphi(U) \subset \mathbb{R}^{2n}$$

is a symplectomorphism of $(U, \alpha|_U, \Omega|_U)$ on $(\varphi(U), \alpha_{0|\varphi(U)}, \Omega_{0|\varphi(U)})$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi^*(\alpha_{0|\varphi(U)}) &= \alpha|_U, \\ \varphi^*(\Omega_{0|\varphi(U)}) &= \Omega|_U. \end{aligned}$$

When (x_1, \dots, x_{2n}) is the system of local coordinates of the chart (U, φ) with $x_i = e_i^* \circ \varphi$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha|_U &= \varphi^*[\alpha_{0|\varphi(U)}] \\ &= dx_{2n} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega|_U &= \varphi^*(\Omega_{0|\varphi(U)}) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n d_{\alpha|_U} x_i \wedge dx_{n+i}. \end{aligned}$$

We shall solve these equations by the lemma 2.1, as desired. \square

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega|_U &= \sum_{i=1}^n d_{\alpha|_U} x_i \wedge dx_{n+i} \\ &= \omega_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \cdot \alpha|_U \wedge dx_{n+i} \end{aligned}$$

then if $\alpha|_U = 0$, we have $\Omega|_U = \omega_0$, where ω_0 is a symplectic form on M . In this case M is a symplectic manifold.

We see that

$$\begin{aligned} d\Omega|_U &= -\alpha|_U \wedge \Omega|_U \\ &= -\alpha|_U \wedge \omega_0. \end{aligned}$$

 3. GRAPHS OF d_α -CLOSED 1-FORMS IN COTANGENT BUNDLES

Let N be any manifold. Consider the cotangent bundle $M = T^*N$ of N with the natural projection

$$\pi : T^*N \longrightarrow N, (x, y) \longmapsto y.$$

Define the following 1-form λ on M . For $y \in N$, $(x, y) \in T^*N$ and $\gamma \in T_{(x,y)}(T^*N)$ we set $\lambda(\gamma) = \langle x, \pi_*\gamma \rangle$ where $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is the natural pairing between T^*N and TN . We claim

that $\Omega = d_\alpha \lambda$ is a locally conformally symplectic form on M . We use local coordinates (x_1, \dots, x_{2n}) on T^*N and write $\gamma = (\dot{x}_1, \dots, \dot{x}_{2n})$, so

$$\pi_* \gamma = (\dot{x}_{n+1}, \dots, \dot{x}_{2n}).$$

With this notation the pairing reads

$$\langle x, \pi_* \gamma \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \cdot \dot{x}_{n+i}$$

which implies that

$$\lambda(\gamma) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \cdot dx_{n+i}.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= d_\alpha \lambda \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n d_\alpha x_i \wedge dx_{n+i}. \end{aligned}$$

The 1-form λ is intrinsically defined and hence the 2-form Ω is also intrinsically defined.

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