

Complex Dirac structures: invariants and local description

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Proposition (I. Vaisman [V])

Let $N \xhookrightarrow{\iota} M$ be a submanifold of M and let L be a generalized complex structure on M with associated bundle map

$$\mathcal{J} = \begin{pmatrix} A & \pi \\ \sigma & -A^* \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then $\iota^!L$ is a generalized complex structure on N if and only if

- i) N is a Dirac-Poisson submanifold of (M, π) .
- ii) $A(TN) \subseteq TN + \pi(T^*M)|_N = TN \oplus \pi(\text{Ann } TN)$.
- iii) $pr_{TN} \circ A$ is differentiable, where pr_{TN} comes from the projection onto TN of the direct sum of ii).

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$$0 \leq \text{type} \leq n.$$

Lemma

The real index and the order of a lagrangian subbundle of $\mathbb{T}_{\mathbb{C}}M$ are upper semi-continuous functions. Furthermore, the values of the real index have the same parity.

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We will see that if L has constant order, then $(\Delta, \omega_{\Delta})$ is a presymplectic distribution coming from a (real) Dirac structure.

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We recover the classification of generalized complex structures on vector spaces.

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