



## $\mathcal{D}$ -modules on 1|1 supercurves

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### ABSTRACT

It is known that to every (1|1)-dimensional supercurve  $X$  there is associated a dual supercurve  $\hat{X}$ , and a superdiagonal  $\Delta \subset X \times \hat{X}$ . We establish that the categories of  $\mathcal{D}$ -modules on  $X$ ,  $\hat{X}$  and  $\Delta$  are equivalent. This follows from a more general result about  $\mathcal{D}$ -modules and purely odd submersions. The equivalences preserve tensor products, and take vector bundles to vector bundles. Line bundles with connection are studied, and examples are given where  $X$  is a super elliptic curve.

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### 1. Introduction

Super Riemann surfaces, the analogue of Riemann surfaces in the category of supermanifolds, have been extensively studied since their introduction in the context of superstring theory [1–4]. They are supercurves of dimension (1|1) satisfying an additional “superconformal” constraint which allows one to identify irreducible (Weil) divisors with points. The study of more general supercurves  $X$ , without the constraint, began in earnest with the paper [5], where it was observed that the irreducible divisors on  $X$  can be identified with points of a dual supercurve,  $\hat{X}$ , having the same underlying topological space, and that the dual of  $\hat{X}$  is again  $X$ . Furthermore, there is a distinguished (1|2)-dimensional submanifold,

$$\Delta \subset X \times \hat{X}$$

(the “superdiagonal”), which exhibits  $\hat{X}$  as the family of irreducible divisors on  $X$  and vice versa. Supercurves, and their duality, were later seen in [6] to play an important role in the study of super analogues of the KP-hierarchy. In that paper the main objects of study were  $\text{Pic}(X)$  and  $\text{Pic}(\hat{X})$ .

In this paper we explore the categories of  $\mathcal{D}$ -modules over  $X$ ,  $\hat{X}$  and  $\Delta$ . We find in Section 4 that in fact the three categories  $\mathcal{D}_X\text{-mod}$ ,  $\mathcal{D}_{\hat{X}}\text{-mod}$  and  $\mathcal{D}_{\Delta}\text{-mod}$  are equivalent. This follows from a more general statement in Section 2, about  $\mathcal{D}$ -modules and purely odd submersions. Section 3 provides a review of supercurve duality. The equivalence of categories is further explored in Sections 5–7, where explicit formulas in local coordinates are given. Section 8 describes the direct image of a trivial vector bundle with connection, and Section 9 specializes this to line bundles. Section 10 illustrates our results with explicit examples for the case of super elliptic curves, i.e., supercurves of genus one.

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Notice that our setup involves a double fibration,

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \Delta & \\
 \pi \swarrow & & \searrow \hat{\pi} \\
 X & & \hat{X}
 \end{array} \tag{1.1}$$

reminiscent of the Fourier–Mukai transform [7]. The situation is simpler, however, in that the categories of  $\mathcal{D}$ -modules on all three spaces are equivalent.

Throughout the paper we work in the category of supermanifolds over a fixed superscheme  $S$  over  $\mathbb{C}$ . By supermanifold we mean a smooth morphism  $Z \rightarrow S$ , and by dimension we mean the relative dimension. Though most of the results in this paper are valid for arbitrary  $S$ , we will avoid notational complications by assuming that  $S = \text{Spec}(\Lambda)$ , where  $\Lambda$  is a finite-dimensional nilpotent extension of  $\mathbb{C}$ . Except as noted, the results are valid in both the Zariski and complex topologies.

### 2. $\mathcal{D}$ -modules and purely odd submersions

Let  $\sigma : Z \rightarrow W$  be a smooth morphism of smooth superschemes over  $S$ . Let  $\mathcal{D}_Z$  denote the sheaf of linear differential operators on  $\mathcal{O}_Z$ . Then a  $\mathcal{D}_Z$ -module is a sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  of  $\mathcal{O}_Z$ -modules equipped with a flat connection

$$\nabla : \Omega_Z \otimes \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \Omega_Z[1] \otimes \mathcal{F}$$

where  $\Omega_Z$  is the sheaf of differential one-forms relative to  $S$ , and  $\Omega_Z[1]$  denotes  $\Omega_Z$  with a degree shift. (For background on  $\mathcal{D}$ -modules, see [8,9].) One has direct and inverse image functors for  $\mathcal{D}$ -modules. The inverse image of a  $\mathcal{D}_W$ -module  $\mathcal{F}$  has  $\sigma^*(\mathcal{F})$  as its underlying  $\mathcal{O}_Z$ -module. The direct image is, in general, defined in the derived category.

Assume now that  $\sigma$  is a submersion. Then there is an underived version of the direct image, defined as follows. Let  $\mathcal{T}_Z$  denote the tangent sheaf of  $Z$  and let  $\mathcal{T}_\sigma \subset \mathcal{T}_Z$  denote the vertical tangent sheaf. Then we have an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_\sigma \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_Z \rightarrow \sigma^*(\mathcal{T}_W) \rightarrow 0.$$

The direct image functor

$$\sigma_+ : \mathcal{D}_Z\text{-mod} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_W\text{-mod}$$

is defined by

$$\sigma_+(\mathcal{F}) = \sigma_*(\text{ann}_{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{T}_\sigma)) \tag{2.1}$$

where  $\text{ann}_{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{T}_\sigma)$  denotes the subsheaf of  $\mathcal{F}$  annihilated by  $\mathcal{T}_\sigma$ .

Say that the submersion  $\sigma : Z \rightarrow W$  is *purely odd* if the fibers have dimension  $(0|n)$  for some  $n$ . The key observation in the paper is the following result.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $\sigma : Z \rightarrow W$  be a purely odd submersion. Then the categories of  $\mathcal{D}$ -modules on  $Z$  and  $W$  are equivalent. Specifically, the functors  $\sigma^*$  and  $\sigma_+$  are inverse equivalences.*

**Proof.** To simplify the notation, note that  $Z$  and  $W$  share the same underlying topological space. If  $\mathcal{G}$  is a  $\mathcal{D}_W$ -module, then  $\mathcal{G}$  maps naturally to  $\sigma^*(\mathcal{G})$ . A computation in local coordinates easily shows that this map is injective, and that the image of  $\mathcal{G}$  is precisely  $\sigma_+\sigma^*(\mathcal{G})$ .

If  $\mathcal{F}$  is a  $\mathcal{D}_Z$ -module, then  $\sigma_+(\mathcal{F}) \subset \mathcal{F}$ , and we have a natural map

$$\mathcal{O}_Z \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_W} \sigma_+(\mathcal{F}) = \sigma^*\sigma_+(\mathcal{F}) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}.$$

The fact that this map is an isomorphism follows from the purely algebraic lemma stated below.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $R = R_0 \oplus R_1$  be a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded ring. Let*

$$Q = R[\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n, \partial_1, \dots, \partial_n]$$

where the  $\theta_i$ 's are free supercommuting odd variables,  $\partial_i = \partial/\partial\theta_i$ , and the  $\theta$ 's and  $\partial$ 's supercommute with  $R$ . Then the categories  $Q\text{-mod}$  and  $R\text{-mod}$  are equivalent. Specifically, the following functors are inverses:

$$Q\text{-mod} \ni M \mapsto M_* = \text{ann}(\partial_1, \dots, \partial_n) \tag{2.2}$$

$$R\text{-mod} \ni N \mapsto N^* = R[\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n] \otimes_R N. \tag{2.3}$$

The statement that the natural homomorphism

$$(M_*)^* \simeq M$$

is an isomorphism is equivalent to the statement that every  $A \in M$  has a unique expansion

$$A = \sum_{\mu} A_{\mu} \theta_{\mu}, \quad A_{\mu} \in M_{*} \quad (2.4)$$

where  $\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n)$  is a multiindex of 0's and 1's.

**Proof.** It is easy to see that for all  $R$ -modules  $N$ ,  $N \simeq (N^*)_{*}$ .

For the other direction, one has the natural map

$$R[\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n] \otimes_R M_{*} \rightarrow M \quad (2.5)$$

which is an isomorphism if and only if formula (2.4) is valid. We prove (2.4) by induction on  $n$ . For  $n = 1$ , let  $A \in M$ . Then the decomposition is given by

$$A_0 = A - \theta_1 \partial_1 A \quad (2.6)$$

$$A_1 = \partial_1 A. \quad (2.7)$$

For the uniqueness, apply  $\partial_1$  to both sides of the equation

$$A = A_0 + \theta_1 A_1.$$

If  $n > 1$ , write

$$R[\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n, \partial_1, \dots, \partial_n] = R[\theta_2, \dots, \theta_n, \partial_2, \dots, \partial_n][\theta_1, \partial_1]. \quad \square$$

**Proposition 2.3.** Let  $\sigma : Z \rightarrow W$  be a purely odd submersion. Then  $\sigma_+$  is exact, and preserves tensor products. It takes  $\mathcal{D}_Z$ -modules that are locally free as  $\mathcal{O}_Z$ -modules to locally free  $\mathcal{O}_W$ -modules, and preserves rank.

**Proof.** The first part follows immediately from Theorem 2.1. Since the proposition is local, we may assume for the second part that we have a flat connection on the trivial bundle of rank  $p|q$ , i.e.,  $\mathcal{O}_Z^{p|q}$ . Let the fiber dimension of  $\sigma$  be  $0|n$ , and let  $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n$  be a set of fiber coordinates. Let  $I \in \mathfrak{gl}^{p|q}(\mathcal{O}_Z)$  denote the identity matrix. Then we have a unique decomposition

$$I = \sum_{\mu} A_{\mu} \theta_{\mu}$$

where  $\mu$  is a multiindex, such that for all  $i$ ,  $\nabla_{\theta_i} A_{\mu} = 0$ . Let  $A = A_{(0, \dots, 0)}$ . Then  $A$  is an invertible matrix. Thus the columns of  $A$  lie in  $\sigma_+(\mathcal{O}_Z^{p|q})$  and form a basis for  $\mathcal{O}_Z^{p|q}$ . If  $\psi \in \sigma_+(\mathcal{O}_Z^{p|q})$ , then there is a unique vector  $\phi \in \mathcal{O}_Z^{p|q}$  such that  $\psi = A\phi$ . Then  $0 = \nabla_{\theta_i}(A\phi) = A\partial_{\theta_i}\phi$ , whence the entries of  $\phi$  belong to  $\mathcal{O}_W$ . Thus the columns of  $A$  form a basis for  $\sigma_+(\mathcal{O}_Z^{p|q})$  as an  $\mathcal{O}_W$ -module.  $\square$

**Remark 2.4.** The standard result in the commutative setting, that a  $\mathcal{D}$ -module is locally free of finite rank as an  $\mathcal{O}$ -module if and only if it is coherent as an  $\mathcal{O}$ -module [8,9], holds in the supercommutative setting as well.

### 3. Supercurves and their duals

By definition, a supercurve is a supermanifold of dimension  $(1|n)$  for some  $n \geq 1$ . Let  $X$  be a supercurve of dimension  $(1|1)$ . Then there is a dual  $(1|1)$ -dimensional supercurve  $\hat{X}$  constructed as follows [5,6]. Define

$$\Delta_X = \text{Proj}(\Omega_X) \xrightarrow{\pi} X. \quad (3.1)$$

Thus, if  $(z, \theta)$  are local coordinates on an open set  $\mathcal{U}$ ,  $\Omega_X(\mathcal{U})$  is the polynomial algebra  $\mathcal{O}_X(\mathcal{U})[d\theta, dz]$ , with  $d\theta$  even and  $dz$  odd. In the proj construction,  $d\theta, dz$  are taken as homogeneous coordinates, of which only  $d\theta$  may be inverted. Thus, on  $\pi^{-1}(\mathcal{U})$  one has the local coordinate system

$$(z, \theta, \rho), \quad (3.2)$$

where

$$\rho = d\theta^{-1} dz. \quad (3.3)$$

In particular,  $\Delta_X$  has relative dimension  $(1|2)$  over  $S$ .

The exterior derivative  $d$  is an odd derivation of degree one:

$$d : \Omega_X \rightarrow \Omega_X[1].$$

We may localize  $d$ , yielding an odd derivation

$$\tilde{d} : \mathcal{O}_{\Delta_X} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\Delta_X}(1), \quad (3.4)$$

where  $\mathcal{O}_{\Delta_X}(1)$  is the twisting sheaf [10] associated to the graded  $\Omega_X$ -module  $\Omega_X[1]$ . Note that  $d\theta$  is a trivialization of  $\mathcal{O}_{\Delta_X}(1)$ . Then we have the formula

$$\tilde{d} = dz \partial_z + d\theta \partial_\theta = d\theta(\rho \partial_z + \partial_\theta). \tag{3.5}$$

The dual curve,  $\hat{X}$ , has the same topological space as  $X$ , with structure sheaf

$$\mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}} = \ker(\tilde{d}). \tag{3.6}$$

Let

$$u = z - \theta \rho.$$

Then  $\tilde{d}\rho = \tilde{d}u = 0$ . Furthermore,  $(u, \rho, \theta)$  is a local coordinate system on  $\Delta_X$ , and one checks that  $(u, \rho)$  is a local coordinate system on  $\hat{X}$ . In particular,  $\hat{X}$  is a family of smooth (1|1)-dimensional supercurves over  $S$ . It is known [6] that  $\Delta_X$  and  $\Delta_{\hat{X}}$  are naturally isomorphic, as superschemes over  $\hat{X}$ . On the level of structure sheaves, the isomorphism is given in local coordinates by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}_{\Delta_{\hat{X}}} &\rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\Delta_X} \\ u &\mapsto z - \theta \rho \end{aligned} \tag{3.7}$$

$$\rho \mapsto \rho \tag{3.8}$$

$$d\rho^{-1}du \mapsto \theta. \tag{3.9}$$

Then  $\mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}}$  appears as a subsheaf of  $\mathcal{O}_{\Delta_X}$ , and one checks that this subsheaf coincides with the image of  $\mathcal{O}_X$ . Thus,  $\hat{X}$  is naturally isomorphic to  $X$ . In local coordinates, the isomorphism is given by

$$u - \rho \frac{du}{d\rho} \mapsto z \tag{3.10}$$

$$d\rho^{-1}du \mapsto \theta. \tag{3.11}$$

One should view  $\Delta_X \cong \Delta_{\hat{X}}$  (denoted simply  $\Delta$  in the sequel) as the “superdiagonal” in  $X \times \hat{X}$  defined by the equation  $z - u - \theta \rho = 0$ .

#### 4. Equivalences of categories

**Theorem 4.1.** *The categories  $\mathcal{D}_X\text{-mod}$ ,  $\mathcal{D}_{\hat{X}}\text{-mod}$  and  $\mathcal{D}_\Delta\text{-mod}$  are equivalent.*

**Proof.** The maps  $\pi : \Delta \rightarrow X$  and  $\hat{\pi} : \Delta \rightarrow \hat{X}$  are purely odd submersions, so the result follows from Theorem 2.1.  $\square$

For  $\mathcal{F}$  a  $\mathcal{D}_X$ -module, define

$$\hat{\mathcal{F}} = \hat{\pi}_+ \pi^*(\mathcal{F}). \tag{4.1}$$

Then we have a canonical isomorphism  $\hat{\mathcal{F}} \simeq \mathcal{F}$ , by Theorem 4.1.

**Example 4.2.** By definition,  $\hat{\mathcal{O}}_X = \mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}}$ .

**Example 4.3.** Consider  $\mathcal{D}_X$  as a left  $\mathcal{D}_X$ -module. We have

$$\pi^*(\mathcal{D}_X) = \text{Diff}(\mathcal{O}_X, \mathcal{O}_\Delta).$$

Then a germ  $L \in \text{Diff}(\mathcal{O}_X, \mathcal{O}_\Delta)$  belongs to  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_X$  if and only if

$$\tilde{d} \circ L = 0$$

where  $\tilde{d}$  is as in (3.4). We therefore have

$$\hat{\mathcal{D}}_X = \text{Diff}(\mathcal{O}_X, \mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}})$$

which is to say, differential operators from  $\mathcal{O}_X$  to  $\mathcal{O}_\Delta$  that factor through the inclusion  $\mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_\Delta$ .

**5. Local description**

Let  $\mathcal{U} \subset X$  be an open set, with coordinates  $(z, \theta)$ . Let  $(u, \rho)$  be the corresponding coordinates on  $\hat{X}$ . Then we get an isomorphism

$$\mathcal{O}_X|_{\mathcal{U}} \xrightarrow{\psi^{(z,\theta)}} \mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}}|_{\mathcal{U}} \tag{5.1}$$

sending  $z \rightarrow u$  and  $\theta \rightarrow \rho$ . That is,

$$\psi^{(z,\theta)}(f(z) + \theta g(z)) = f(z - \theta\rho) + \rho g(z - \theta\rho) \tag{5.2}$$

$$= f(z) + \rho(\theta\partial_z f + g). \tag{5.3}$$

The isomorphism  $\psi^{(z,\theta)}$  extends to an isomorphism

$$\psi^{(z,\theta)} : \mathcal{D}_X|_{\mathcal{U}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{D}_{\hat{X}}|_{\mathcal{U}}$$

sending  $\partial_z \mapsto \partial_u$  and  $\partial_\theta \mapsto \partial_\rho$ . This identification allows one to regard every  $\mathcal{D}_X|_{\mathcal{U}}$ -module as a  $\mathcal{D}_{\hat{X}}|_{\mathcal{U}}$ -module (in a coordinate-dependent way). If  $\mathcal{F}$  is a  $\mathcal{D}_X|_{\mathcal{U}}$ -module, let  $\mathcal{F}^{(z,\theta)}$  denote  $\mathcal{F}$  itself, regarded as a  $\mathcal{D}_{\hat{X}}|_{\mathcal{U}}$ -module. Notice that Eq. (5.3) can be written

$$\psi^{(z,\theta)}(h) = (1 - \theta\partial_\theta + \rho(\theta\partial_z + \partial_\theta))(h) \tag{5.4}$$

where  $h = f + \theta g$ . This suggests the following definition.

**Definition 5.1.** Let

$$\tau^{(z,\theta)} = 1 - \theta\nabla_\theta + \rho(\theta\nabla_z + \nabla_\theta). \tag{5.5}$$

(Here it is understood that one has a  $\mathcal{D}_X|_{\mathcal{U}}$ -module  $\mathcal{F}$ , and  $\tau^{(z,\theta)}$  acts on  $\pi^*\mathcal{F}$ .)

**Theorem 5.2.** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a  $\mathcal{D}_X|_{\mathcal{U}}$ -module. Then  $\tau^{(z,\theta)}$  gives an isomorphism

$$\tau^{(z,\theta)} : \mathcal{F}^{(z,\theta)} \xrightarrow{\sim} \hat{\mathcal{F}}. \tag{5.6}$$

**Proof.** Let us establish first that  $\tau^{(z,\theta)}$  gives a bijection  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{F}}$ . In  $(z, \theta, \rho)$  coordinates,  $\mathcal{T}_{\hat{\mathcal{F}}}$  is generated by

$$\mathbf{D} = \rho\partial_z + \partial_\theta. \tag{5.7}$$

Sections of  $\pi^*\mathcal{F}$  may be uniquely written in the form  $\phi = P + \rho Q$ , where  $P$  and  $Q$  are sections of  $\mathcal{F}$ . Then  $\phi \in \hat{\mathcal{F}}$  if and only if  $\nabla_{\mathbf{D}}\phi = 0$ , that is,

$$\nabla_\theta P + \rho(\nabla_z P - \nabla_\theta Q) = 0. \tag{5.8}$$

Set  $P = P_0 + \theta P_1$  and  $Q = Q_0 + \theta Q_1$ , where  $\nabla_\theta$  annihilates  $P_i$  and  $Q_i$ . Then Eq. (5.8) reads

$$P_1 + \rho(\nabla_z P_0 + \theta\nabla_z P_1 - Q_1) = 0. \tag{5.9}$$

That is,

$$P_1 = 0, \quad \nabla_z P_0 = Q_1. \tag{5.10}$$

Then

$$\phi = P_0 + \rho(Q_0 + \theta\nabla_z P_0) = \tau^{(z,\theta)}(P_0 + \theta Q_0). \tag{5.11}$$

Since  $\phi = 0$  if and only if  $P_0 = Q_0 = 0$ ,  $\tau^{(z,\theta)}$  is bijective.

It remains to prove that for all  $M \in \mathcal{D}_X|_{\mathcal{U}}$  and all  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ ,

$$\tau^{(z,\theta)}(MA) = \psi^{(z,\theta)}(M)\tau^{(z,\theta)}(A). \tag{5.12}$$

We leave it to the reader to check this when  $M \in \mathcal{O}_X$ . It remains to check Eq. (5.12) when  $M$  is a partial derivative. To distinguish between partial derivatives in the  $(z, \theta, \rho)$  coordinate system and the  $(u, \rho, \theta)$  coordinate system, we will denote the latter by  $\hat{\partial}_u$ , etc. We also write  $\hat{\nabla}_u$ , etc. We then have

$$\hat{\nabla}_u = \nabla_z \tag{5.13}$$

$$\hat{\nabla}_\rho = \nabla_\rho - \theta\nabla_z \tag{5.14}$$

$$\hat{\nabla}_\theta = \nabla_\theta - \rho\nabla_z. \tag{5.15}$$

(These operators are acting on  $\pi^*\mathcal{F}$ .) Then

$$\hat{\nabla}_u \tau^{(z,\theta)} = \nabla_z \tau^{(z,\theta)} = \tau^{(z,\theta)} \nabla_z.$$

We also have

$$\nabla_\rho \tau^{(z,\theta)} = \tau^{(z,\theta)} \nabla_\rho + \nabla_\theta + \theta \nabla_z.$$

Then

$$\hat{\nabla}_\rho \tau^{(z,\theta)} = \tau^{(z,\theta)} \nabla_\rho + \nabla_\theta + \rho \theta \nabla_z (\nabla_\theta + \theta \nabla_z) = \tau^{(z,\theta)} \nabla_\rho + \tau^{(z,\theta)} \nabla_\theta.$$

The result follows, since one is applying this operator to the kernel of  $\nabla_\rho$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.2** provides a Čech description of the functor  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{F}}$ . Cover  $X$  by coordinate charts  $(\mathcal{U}_i, z_i, \theta_i)$ . Then  $\mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}}$  may be regarded as  $\mathcal{O}_X$  glued to itself by transition automorphisms  $D_{i,j} = \psi^{(z_i, \theta_i)^{-1}} \psi^{(z_j, \theta_j)}$ . Then  $D_{i,j}$  is a differential operator, so it can be applied to an arbitrary  $\mathcal{D}_X$ -module  $\mathcal{F}$ . Then **Theorem 5.2** shows that  $\hat{\mathcal{F}}$  is  $\mathcal{F}$  glued to itself by the cocycle  $D_{i,j}$ .

**6. Projected and injected supercurves**

A *projected supercurve* over  $S$ , [6], is a submersion  $\sigma : X \rightarrow X_0$  of smooth superschemes over  $S$ , where  $X$  and  $X_0$  have relative dimension  $(1|1)$  and  $(1|0)$  over  $S$ , respectively. With the same assumptions on  $X$  and  $X_0$ , an *injected supercurve* over  $S$  is an immersion  $\iota : X_0 \rightarrow X$ .

Let  $\sigma : X \rightarrow X_0$  be a projected supercurve. By **Theorem 2.1**, the categories  $\mathcal{D}_X$ -mod and  $\mathcal{D}_{X_0}$ -mod are equivalent. The following result is proved in [11]. For the reader’s convenience we give a proof here.

**Proposition 6.1.** *Fix a smooth curve  $X_0/S$ . Then the category of projected supercurves  $\sigma : X \rightarrow X_0$  is equivalent to the category of injected supercurves  $\iota : X_0 \rightarrow X$ . The equivalence is given by  $X \mapsto \hat{X}$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $\sigma : X \rightarrow X_0$  be a projected supercurve. Then we have  $\mathcal{O}_{X_0} \subset \mathcal{O}_X$ . Let  $(z, \theta)$  and  $(w, \eta)$  be two local coordinate systems on an open subset, such that  $z, w \in \mathcal{O}_{X_0}$ . Let  $\rho = d\theta^{-1}dz, \lambda = d\eta^{-1}dw$ . Writing  $w = f(z)$  and  $\eta = \theta g(z) + \Lambda(z)$ , we have

$$\lambda = \frac{\rho f'(z)}{\rho(\theta g'(z) + \Lambda'(z)) + g(z)} \tag{6.1}$$

$$= \frac{\rho f'(z)}{g(z)}. \tag{6.2}$$

Thus we have a globally defined ideal  $\mathfrak{I} \subset \mathcal{O}_\Delta$ , spanned locally by  $\rho$ . It is easily seen that we have an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathfrak{I} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_\Delta \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow 0.$$

Consider the restriction of  $\alpha$  to  $\mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}}$ . Write a section of  $\mathcal{O}_\Delta$  as  $A + \rho B, A, B \in \mathcal{O}_X$ . According to Eq. (5.8),  $A + \rho B \in \mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}}$  if and only if  $\partial_\theta A = 0, \partial_z A = \partial_\theta B$ . In particular,  $A \in \mathcal{O}_{X_0}$ . Furthermore, for all  $A \in \mathcal{O}_{X_0}$ , we have  $A + \rho \theta \partial_z A \in \mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}}$ . Thus,  $\alpha$  restricts to a surjection  $\mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{X_0}$ , or equivalently, an immersion  $X_0 \rightarrow \hat{X}$ .

Conversely, let  $\iota : X_0 \rightarrow X$  be an injected supercurve. Let  $\mathfrak{J}$  denote the kernel of the corresponding surjection  $\iota^* : \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{X_0}$ . Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open set sufficiently small that  $\mathfrak{J}|_{\mathcal{U}}$  is generated by an odd section  $\theta$ . Then  $d\theta$  trivializes  $\mathcal{O}_\Delta(1)|_{\mathcal{U}}$ . We get a homomorphism of sheaves of rings,

$$\mathcal{O}_X|_{\mathcal{U}} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}}|_{\mathcal{U}} \tag{6.3}$$

$$f \mapsto \frac{d(\theta f)}{d\theta} = f - \theta \frac{df}{d\theta}. \tag{6.4}$$

(This is the piece of  $\tau^{(z,\theta)}$  that does not depend on a choice of  $z$ .) Let  $\eta$  be another generator of  $\mathfrak{J}|_{\mathcal{U}}$ , and let  $\eta = g\theta$ , where  $g \in \mathcal{O}_X^*(\mathcal{U})$ . Then

$$\frac{d(\eta f)}{d\eta} = f - g\theta \frac{df}{gd\theta - \theta dg} \tag{6.5}$$

$$= f - g\theta \frac{df}{gd\theta} = \frac{d(\theta f)}{d\theta}. \tag{6.6}$$

Thus we have a globally defined homomorphism of sheaves of rings,

$$\nu : \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}}. \tag{6.7}$$

If we now extend  $\theta$  to a coordinate system  $(z, \theta)$ , then

$$v(f(z) + \theta g(z)) = f + \rho\theta\partial_z f.$$

Thus the kernel of  $v$  is  $\mathcal{J}$ , and we have produced an injection

$$\mathcal{O}_{X_0} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}}. \quad \square$$

With  $X$  and  $X_0$  as above, let  $\sigma : X \rightarrow X_0$  be a projected supercurve with corresponding injected supercurve  $\iota : X_0 \rightarrow \hat{X}$ . We then have two functors  $\mathcal{D}_X\text{-mod} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{X_0}\text{-mod}$ ,

$$\mathcal{F} \mapsto \iota^*(\hat{\mathcal{F}}) \tag{6.8}$$

$$\mathcal{F} \mapsto \sigma_+(\mathcal{F}). \tag{6.9}$$

**Proposition 6.2.** *The functors (6.8) and (6.9) are naturally isomorphic.*

**Proof.** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a  $\mathcal{D}_X$ -module. Formula (6.4) can be used on  $\mathcal{F}$ , to give a globally defined map

$$v : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{F}} \tag{6.10}$$

$$\phi \mapsto \frac{\nabla(\theta\phi)}{d\theta}. \tag{6.11}$$

Restrict  $v$  to  $\sigma_+(\mathcal{F})$  and follow it with the pullback map  $\hat{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \iota^*(\hat{\mathcal{F}})$  to obtain the desired isomorphism.  $\square$

### 7. Split supercurves

Continuing with  $X$  and  $X_0$  as above,  $X$  is said to be *split* over  $X_0$  if there is a locally free rank-one sheaf  $\mathcal{L}$  of  $\mathcal{O}_{X_0}$ -modules such that the structure sheaf of  $X$  is  $\mathcal{O}_{X_0} \oplus \mathcal{L}$ . This is equivalent to the existence of both a submersion  $\sigma : X \rightarrow X_0$  and an immersion  $\iota : X_0 \rightarrow X$ , such that  $\sigma \circ \iota = id$ . Then by Proposition 6.1,  $\hat{X}$  is also split over  $X_0$ , with the line bundle in question being the Serre dual of the original. Then by Theorem 2.1, we can identify the categories  $\mathcal{D}_X\text{-mod}$  and  $\mathcal{D}_{\hat{X}}\text{-mod}$  with  $\mathcal{D}_{X_0}\text{-mod}$ .

**Proposition 7.1.** *Let  $X$  be split over  $X_0$ . Under the equivalences*

$$\mathcal{D}_{X_0}\text{-mod} \cong \mathcal{D}_X\text{-mod}, \quad \mathcal{D}_{X_0}\text{-mod} \cong \mathcal{D}_{\hat{X}}\text{-mod}$$

*the transform  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{F}}$  reduces to the identity functor on  $\mathcal{D}_{X_0}\text{-mod}$ .*

**Proof.** Given the submersion  $\sigma : X \rightarrow X_0$  and immersion  $\iota : X_0 \rightarrow X$ , it is easy to check that the two functors  $\sigma_+$  and  $\iota^*$  are naturally isomorphic. Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be a  $\mathcal{D}_{X_0}$ -module and write  $\mathcal{G} = \sigma_+(\mathcal{F})$ . Then the functor we are considering sends  $\mathcal{G}$  to  $\sigma_+(\hat{\mathcal{F}})$ . We have

$$\sigma_+(\hat{\mathcal{F}}) \cong \iota^*(\mathcal{F}) \cong \sigma_+(\mathcal{F}) \cong \mathcal{G}. \quad \square$$

### 8. Direct image of the trivial bundle with connection

Returning now to the purely odd submersion  $\sigma : Z \rightarrow W$ , consider a connection  $d + \omega$  on the trivial bundle  $\mathcal{O}_Z^{p|q}$ . Here  $\omega$  is a one-form with values in  $\mathfrak{g}^{p|q}(\mathcal{O}_Z)$ , satisfying the zero-curvature condition

$$d\omega + \omega \wedge \omega = 0. \tag{8.1}$$

According to Proposition 2.3,  $\sigma_+(\mathcal{O}_Z^{p|q}, d + \omega)$  is a locally free  $\mathcal{O}_W$ -module, of rank  $p|q$ . It is natural to ask for a description of this  $\mathcal{O}_W$ -module.

The one-form  $\omega$  restricts to a relative flat connection form on the fibers of  $\sigma$ . Denote this restriction by  $\omega_\sigma$ .

Let  $\mathcal{S}^{p|q}$  denote the sheaf of flat connection forms on  $Z$  and let  $\mathcal{S}_\sigma^{p|q}$  denote the sheaf of relative flat connection forms. Let  $d_\sigma$  denote the relative differential. The sheaf  $G^{p|q}(\mathcal{O}_Z)$  maps to  $\mathcal{S}_\sigma^{p|q}$  by

$$A \mapsto -d_\sigma A \cdot A^{-1}. \tag{8.2}$$

For a superscheme  $Z$ , let  $\mathcal{N}_Z \subset \mathcal{O}_Z$  denote the sheaf of nilpotents.

**Proposition 8.1.** *The sheaf of subgroups  $1 + \mathfrak{g}^{p|q}(\mathcal{N}_Z)$  maps surjectively to  $\mathcal{S}_\sigma^{p|q}$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $I$  denote the  $(p+q) \times (p+q)$  identity matrix. Let  $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n$  be fiber coordinates on an open set  $\mathcal{U} \subset Z$ . Decompose  $I$  as in Eq. (2.4).

$$I = \sum_{\mu} \theta_{\mu} A_{\mu}$$

where  $(d + \omega)_{\sigma}(A_{\mu}) = 0$ . In particular,

$$-(d_{\sigma} A_0) A_0^{-1} = \omega_{\sigma}. \tag{8.3}$$

Furthermore, the proof of Lemma 2.2 shows that

$$A_0 = \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - \theta_i \nabla_{\theta_i})(I) \in I + \mathfrak{gl}^{p|q}(\mathcal{N}_Z). \quad \square$$

If we regard  $\mathfrak{g}^{p|q}$  as a sheaf of pointed sets, where the 0 one-form is the distinguished point, then the kernel of the map (8.2) is the sheaf  $\mathfrak{Gl}^{p|q}(\mathcal{O}_W)$ . We therefore have a connecting homomorphism

$$H^0(Z, \mathfrak{g}_{\sigma}) \rightarrow H^1(W, I + \mathfrak{gl}^{p|q}(\mathcal{N}_W)) \tag{8.4}$$

( $Z$  and  $W$  share the same topological space.)

**Corollary 8.2.** *Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a  $\mathcal{D}_Z$ -module with underlying  $\mathcal{O}_Z$ -module  $\mathcal{O}^{p|q}$  and connection one-form  $\omega$ . Regarding  $\sigma_+(\mathcal{F})$  simply as a vector bundle, its class belongs to  $H^1(W, I + \mathfrak{gl}^{p|q}(\mathcal{N}_W))$ , and that class is the image of  $\omega_{\sigma}$  under the connecting homomorphism (8.4).*

**Proof.** With the notation as in Proposition 8.1, the columns of  $A_0$  form a basis for  $\sigma_+(\mathcal{F})|_{\mathcal{U}}$ . The result then follows from Eq. (8.3).  $\square$

### 9. Line bundles with connection

Let  $\omega$  be an odd closed one-form on  $X$ . Here we apply the results of the previous section to the transform of the trivial bundle,  $\mathcal{O}_X$ , endowed with the connection  $d + \omega$ .

Let  $\Omega_{X,cl}^1$  denote the sheaf of closed one-forms. Recall that the map  $\tilde{d}$  takes values in the sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_{\Delta}(1)$ . Furthermore,  $\mathcal{O}_{\Delta}(1) = \Omega_X^1$ .

**Lemma 9.1.** *The image of  $\tilde{d}$  lies in  $\Omega_{X,cl}^1$ .*

(The next lemma implies that it is in fact all of  $\Omega_{X,cl}^1$ .)

**Proof.** Let  $(z, \theta)$  be local coordinates on a neighborhood  $\mathcal{U} \subset X$ . Let  $f \in \mathcal{O}_{\Delta}(\mathcal{U})$ . Then there is a one-form  $\omega \in \Omega_X^1$  such that  $f = \frac{\omega}{d\theta}$ . Write  $d\omega = d\theta \wedge \alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in \Omega_X^1$ . Then  $\tilde{d}f = \alpha$ . Furthermore,  $0 = d^2\omega = d\theta \wedge d\alpha$ . We can cancel  $d\theta$ , so  $d\alpha = 0$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 9.2.** *The map  $\tilde{d} : \mathcal{N}_{\Delta} \rightarrow \Omega_{X,cl}^1$  is surjective.*

**Proof.** Let  $\alpha \in \Omega_{X,cl}^1$ . Then  $\theta \frac{\alpha}{d\theta} \in \mathcal{N}_{\Delta}$  and  $\tilde{d}(\theta \frac{\alpha}{d\theta}) = \alpha$ .  $\square$

**Remark 9.3.** Lemmas 9.1 and 9.2 imply the slightly weaker statement that there is an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\Delta} \xrightarrow{\tilde{d}} \Omega_{X,cl}^1 \rightarrow 0. \tag{9.1}$$

On the other hand, it is known [6] that the quotient of  $\mathcal{O}_{\Delta}$  by  $\mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}}$  is the Berezinian sheaf,  $Ber_{\mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}}}$ . We therefore have the corollary

**Corollary 9.4.**  $\Omega_{X,cl}^1 \simeq Ber_{\mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}}}$  as  $\mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}}$ -modules.

This result seems to be new in this generality, although it is known for super Riemann surfaces where  $X = \hat{X}$  [12,4].

By Lemmas 9.1 and 9.2 we have an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow (\mathcal{N}_{\hat{X}})_0 \rightarrow (\mathcal{N}_{\Delta})_0 \xrightarrow{\tilde{d}} (\Omega_{X,cl}^1)_1 \rightarrow 0. \tag{9.2}$$



**Theorem 9.5.** Let  $\omega$  be an odd, closed one-form on  $X$ . Let  $c_\omega$  denote the image of  $\omega$  in  $H^1(\hat{X}, \mathcal{N}_{\hat{X}})_0$  under the connecting homomorphism. Regarding  $\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_X^\omega$  simply as a line bundle, its class in  $H^1(\hat{X}, \mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}}^*)$  is  $\exp(c_\omega)$ .

**Proof.** Pull  $\omega$  back to  $\Delta$ , giving the line bundle with connection  $\mathcal{O}_\Delta^{\pi^*\omega}$ . Let  $(z, \theta)$  be a local chart on a neighborhood  $\mathcal{U} \subset X$ . Following the prescription in the proof of Corollary 8.2, decompose the constant function  $1 \in \mathcal{O}_\Delta$  as

$$1 = \phi_0 + \rho\phi_1$$

where  $\widehat{\nabla}_\theta(\phi_i) = 0$ . Then  $\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_X^\omega$  is trivialized on  $\mathcal{U}$  by  $\phi_0$ . We have  $\hat{\partial}_\theta = \frac{1}{d\theta}\tilde{d}$ . Then

$$\phi_0 = 1 - \theta\widehat{\nabla}_\theta(1) \tag{9.3}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{\theta}{d\theta}\nabla_\theta(1) = 1 - \frac{\theta\omega}{d\theta} \tag{9.4}$$

$$= \exp\left(-\frac{\theta\omega}{d\theta}\right). \tag{9.5}$$

Furthermore,

$$\tilde{d}\left(\frac{\theta\omega}{d\theta}\right) = \frac{d(\theta\omega)}{d\theta} = \omega. \quad \square \tag{9.6}$$

Let us also note the following special case of Corollary 8.2.

**Theorem 9.6.** Let  $\sigma : X \rightarrow X_0$  be a projected supercurve. Then

1. The sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{N}_{X_0} \rightarrow \mathcal{N}_X \xrightarrow{d} \Omega_{X/X_0,cl}^1 \rightarrow 0 \tag{9.7}$$

is exact, where  $d$  is the relative differential.

2. Let  $\omega$  be an odd, closed one-form on  $X$ . Let  $\omega' \in \Omega_{X/X_0,cl}^1$  denote the image of  $\omega$  under the natural map  $\Omega_X^1 \rightarrow \Omega_{X/X_0}^1$ . Let  $c_\omega$  denote the image of  $\omega'$  in  $H^1(X_0, \mathcal{N}_{X_0})_0$  under the connecting homomorphism. Then the class of  $\sigma_+(\mathcal{O}_X^\omega)$  in  $H^1(X_0, \mathcal{O}_{X_0}^*)$  is  $\exp(c_\omega)$ .

Our final result along these lines is a refinement of Theorem 9.5 in the case that  $\mathcal{O}_X^\omega$  is the pullback of the trivial bundle with connection on  $X_0$ .

**Theorem 9.7.** Let  $\sigma : X \rightarrow X_0$  be a projected supercurve. Let  $\mathcal{I} \subset \mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}}$  denote the ideal sheaf of  $X_0$  in  $\hat{X}$  with respect to the corresponding imbedding,  $\iota : X_0 \rightarrow \hat{X}$ . Identify  $\Omega_{X_0}^1$  as a subsheaf of  $\Omega_{\hat{X}}^1$  by pullback. Then

1. The sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{I} \rightarrow \mathcal{I}\mathcal{O}_X \xrightarrow{\tilde{d}} \Omega_{X_0}^1 \rightarrow 0 \tag{9.8}$$

is exact.

2. Let  $\omega$  be an odd one-form on  $X_0$ . (Note that  $\omega$  is necessarily closed for reasons of dimension.) Let  $c_\omega$  denote the image of  $\omega$  in  $H^1(\hat{X}, \mathcal{I})_0$  under the connecting homomorphism. Then the class of  $\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_X^\omega$  in  $H^1(\hat{X}, \mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}}^*)$  is  $\exp(c_\omega)$ .

**Proof.** In  $(z, \theta)$  coordinates on  $X$ ,  $\mathcal{I}$  is generated by  $\rho$ . Writing a section of  $\mathcal{I}\mathcal{O}_X$  as  $\rho g(z, \theta)$ , we have  $\tilde{d}(\rho g) = dz \frac{\partial g}{\partial \theta}$ , which shows that the image of  $\mathcal{I}\mathcal{O}_X$  under  $\tilde{d}$  is precisely  $\Omega_{X_0}^1$ . The kernel is  $(\mathcal{I}\mathcal{O}_X) \cap \mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}}$ , which must be shown to coincide with  $\mathcal{I}$ . One inclusion is obvious. For the other inclusion, take  $\rho g \in \mathcal{I}\mathcal{O}_X$ . Then  $\tilde{d}(\rho g) = 0$  if and only if  $\partial g / \partial \theta = 0$ , which is to say  $g \in \mathcal{O}_{X_0}$ . Then  $\tau^{(z,\theta)}(g) = g + \rho\theta \frac{\partial g}{\partial z}$ . Thus  $\rho g = \rho\tau^{(z,\theta)}(g) \in \mathcal{I}$ . This completes the proof of statement 1. Statement 2 follows as in Theorem 9.5.  $\square$

9.1. Invertible sheaves in the complex topology

In this subsection, we work in the complex topology, where the Poincaré lemma is available. Then the group of invertible sheaves on  $X$  equipped with a flat connection is the group  $H^1(X, \mathcal{A}^*)$ . This group sees only the topology of  $X$ , and is therefore canonically isomorphic to  $H^1(\hat{X}, \mathcal{A}^*)$ . In this way, an invertible sheaf with connection on  $X$  induces an invertible sheaf with connection on  $\hat{X}$ , by taking the same (constant) transition functions.

**Proposition 9.8.** *The identification of invertible sheaves with connection on  $X$  and invertible sheaves with connection on  $\hat{X}$  given by  $\hat{\pi}_+\pi^*$  coincides with the identity map on  $H^1(X, \Lambda^*)$ .*

*If  $\sigma : X \rightarrow X_0$  is a projected supercurve, then the identification of invertible sheaves with connection on  $X$  and invertible sheaves with connection on  $X_0$  given by  $\sigma_+$  also coincides with the identity map on  $H^1(X, \Lambda^*)$ .*

**Proof.** We are given an invertible sheaf  $\mathcal{L}$  on  $X$  with local trivializations  $\phi_i$  on open sets  $\mathcal{U}_i$ , such that there are constants  $c_{i,j} \in \Lambda^*$ , such that  $\phi_i = c_{i,j}\phi_j$ . The connection is then defined by the condition that  $\nabla(\phi_i) = 0$ . Letting  $(z_i, \theta_i)$  be a coordinate system on  $\mathcal{U}_i$ , the local trivializations for  $\hat{\mathcal{L}}$  are  $\tau^{(z_i, \theta_i)}(\phi_i)$ . By Eq. (5.5),  $\tau^{(z_i, \theta_i)}(\phi_i) = \phi_i$ , so the transition functions are identical.

The proof of the second assertion is the same.  $\square$

### 10. Super elliptic curves

We illustrate the results of the previous section with a simple but nontrivial set of examples: super elliptic curves, i.e., supercurves of genus one [13]. Let  $\mathbb{C}^{1|1}$  be the trivial family of supercurves  $\text{Spec}(\Lambda[z, \theta])$  over  $S = \text{Spec}(\Lambda)$ . Let  $X$  be the quotient of  $\mathbb{C}^{1|1}$  by the discrete group  $G \cong \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$  generated by the commuting morphisms  $T(z, \theta) = (z + 1, \theta)$  and  $S(z, \theta) = (z + \tau + \theta\epsilon, \theta + \delta)$  (not to be confused with the base scheme  $S$ ). Here  $\epsilon, \delta$  are odd elements of  $\Lambda$  while  $\tau$  is an even element satisfying  $\text{Im } \tau_{rd} > 0$ . This is a super elliptic curve whose underlying space  $X_{rd}$  is the elliptic curve having parameter  $\tau_{rd}$ . The corresponding  $(1|0)$  curve  $X_0$  is the quotient of  $\mathbb{C}^{1|0}$  by the morphisms  $T_0(z) = z + 1, S_0(z) = z + \tau$ . The dual curve  $\hat{X}$  is easily computed as the quotient of  $\text{Spec}(\Lambda[u, \rho])$  by  $\hat{T}(u, \rho) = (u + 1, \rho)$  and  $\hat{S}(u, \rho) = (u + \tau + \epsilon\delta + \rho\delta, \rho + \epsilon)$ , so that duality exchanges  $\epsilon$  with  $\delta$  and changes  $\tau$  to  $\tau + \epsilon\delta$ .  $X$  is projected if  $\epsilon = 0$ , injected if  $\delta = 0$ , self-dual (a super Riemann surface) if  $\epsilon = \delta$ , and split if  $\epsilon = \delta = 0$ . Only the self-dual case was considered in [13]. The superdiagonal  $\Delta$  is the quotient of  $\mathbb{C}^{1|2}$  by  $T_\Delta(z, \theta, \rho) = (z + 1, \theta, \rho)$  and  $S_\Delta(z, \theta, \rho) = (z + \tau + \theta\epsilon, \theta + \delta, \rho + \epsilon)$ .

We begin by determining the relevant cohomology of these curves. In case  $\epsilon = \delta = 0, H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  consists of functions  $A(z) + \theta\alpha(z)$  where  $A$  and  $\alpha$  are constants in  $\Lambda$ , since any nonconstant term in  $A(z)$  or  $\alpha(z)$  of lowest degree in the generators of  $\Lambda$  would give a nonconstant function on  $X_{rd}$ , which is impossible. For general  $\epsilon, \delta, H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  must be a submodule of this [6]. Clearly, these functions are invariant under the generator  $S$  iff  $\delta\alpha = 0$ , so that  $H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X) = \Lambda | \text{ann}(\delta)$ .  $H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is determined by Serre duality, since the dualizing Berezinian sheaf of  $X$  is trivial, but a direct computation via group cohomology will provide more information, so we sketch it here [13].

$H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \cong H^1(G, \mathcal{O}) \cong H^1((S), \mathcal{O}^T)$ , where  $(S)$  is the cyclic subgroup generated by  $S, \mathcal{O}$  are the functions on  $\mathbb{C}^{1|1}$ , and  $\mathcal{O}^T$  are the  $T$ -invariant functions. Geometrically this says that the cohomology of  $X$  can be computed from the trivial cohomology of the cylinder arising from the quotient by  $(T)$ , by identifying its ends with  $S$ . A cocycle in  $H^1((S), \mathcal{O}^T)$  assigns to the generator  $S$  a  $T$ -invariant function  $A(z) + \theta\alpha(z)$ , which is regarded as trivial if it can be written as  $F(z, \theta) - F(S(z, \theta))$  for some  $T$ -invariant function  $F(z, \theta) = f(z) + \theta\phi(z)$ . This triviality condition implies

$$\begin{aligned} A(z) &= f(z) - f(z + \tau) - \delta\phi(z + \tau), \\ \alpha(z) &= \phi(z) - \phi(z + \tau) - \epsilon f'(z + \tau) - \epsilon\delta\phi'(z + \tau). \end{aligned} \tag{10.1}$$

Since all functions appearing are  $T$ -invariant, they have Fourier expansions of the form  $A(z) = \sum_n A_n \exp 2\pi inz$ , etc. Rewriting (10.1) in terms of the Fourier components  $A_n, \alpha_n$  shows that only the constant modes  $A_0, \alpha_0$  can be nontrivial, in agreement with the expectation from Serre duality. For constant functions, (10.1) immediately reduces to  $A = -\delta\phi$ . Thus we have  $H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X) = (\Lambda/\delta\Lambda) | \Lambda$ . The cohomology of the dual curve  $\hat{X}$  has the same form with  $\epsilon$  replacing  $\delta$ , namely  $H^1(\hat{X}, \mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}}) = (\Lambda/\epsilon\Lambda) | \Lambda$ .

With the usual exponential sheaf sequence, implying

$$\text{Pic}^0(X) = H^1(X, (\mathcal{O}_X)_0) / H^1(X, \mathbb{Z})$$

this has the following interpretation. Line bundles of degree zero on  $X$  can be specified by multipliers which are trivial for the cycle  $T$  and of the form  $\exp(A + \theta\alpha)$  for the cycle  $S$ , with  $A$  and  $\alpha$  even and odd elements of  $\Lambda$  respectively. Such a bundle is trivial when  $\alpha = 0$  and  $A$  is a multiple of  $\delta$ . For the dual curve, bundles having  $\alpha = 0$  and  $A$  a multiple of  $\epsilon$  are trivial. Recall that Proposition 9.8 says that  $\hat{\pi}_+\pi^*$  relates bundles having the same constant transition functions on  $X$  and  $\hat{X}$ . This gives an example of a class in  $H^1(X, \Lambda^*)$  defining the trivial bundle on  $X$  and a nontrivial bundle on  $\hat{X}$ . The existence of such classes was pointed out in [14].

Our computation also allows us to determine which bundles in  $\text{Pic}^0(X)$  admit flat connections, by finding the image of  $H^1(X, \Lambda)$  in  $H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ . A cocycle for  $H^1(G, \Lambda)$  assigns elements of  $\Lambda$  to the generators of  $G$ , say  $T \mapsto -n, S \mapsto m$ . (The notation reflects the fact that this computation also determines the image of  $H^1(X, \mathbb{Z})$ .) To compare with our presentation of  $H^1(G, \mathcal{O})$ , we subtract a trivial cocycle to set  $n = 0$ , namely  $F(z, \theta) = nz$ . The result is  $S \mapsto (m + n\tau) + \theta n\epsilon$ . That is, the bundles on  $X$  admitting flat connections have  $S$ -multipliers  $\exp(A + \theta\alpha)$  with  $\alpha$  a multiple of  $\epsilon$ .

We can similarly compute the cohomology of  $\Delta$  in this example. Global functions on  $\Delta$  have the form  $A + \theta\alpha + \rho\beta + \theta\rho B$  with  $A, B, \alpha, \beta \in \Lambda$ . We find that  $H^0(\Delta, \mathcal{O}_\Delta)$  is the submodule of  $\Lambda^2 | \Lambda^2$  given by the conditions  $\delta B = \epsilon B = 0, \delta\alpha + \epsilon\beta = 0$ . Cocycles for  $H^1(\Delta, \mathcal{O}_\Delta)$  have the same form, with the trivial ones generated by  $\delta\Lambda \cup \epsilon\Lambda$  and multiples of  $\theta\epsilon - \rho\delta$ . Thus,

for example, bundles on  $X$  having multiplier  $\exp A$  with  $A \in \epsilon \Lambda$  would be trivial on  $\hat{X}$  and lift to trivial bundles on  $\Delta$ ; in addition bundles on  $X$  having multiplier  $\exp \theta \epsilon$  and bundles on  $\hat{X}$  having multiplier  $\exp \rho \delta$  lift to the same bundle on  $\Delta$ .

To illustrate **Theorem 9.5** we determine the closed one-forms on  $X$ ; these have the form  $\omega = dzA + d\theta B$  where  $A, B \in \Lambda$  and  $G$ -invariance requires  $A\epsilon = 0$ . (The form  $dz\delta + d\theta\theta\epsilon$  is also global, but not closed.) Observe that  $H^0(X, \Omega_{X,cl}^1) \simeq H^0(\hat{X}, \text{Ber}_{\mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}}}) \simeq H^0(\hat{X}, \mathcal{O}_{\hat{X}})$  as required by **Corollary 9.4**. Working through the proof to compute  $\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_X^\omega$  we have  $\phi_0 = 1 - \theta B - \theta \rho A$ . Then the multiplier for  $\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_X^\omega$  is  $(\phi_0 \circ S)/\phi_0$ , namely  $\exp -\delta(B + \rho A)$ , which does indeed belong to the image of  $H^1(\hat{X}, \Lambda)$ . In the case  $\delta = 0$  when  $X$  is injected, the transform of the trivial bundle is still trivial, but not in general.

To illustrate the other theorems, specialize to the case of  $X$  projected,  $\epsilon = 0$ . Then **Theorem 9.7** describes the transform of the pullback to  $X$  of the trivial bundle with connection on  $X_0$ . Since the closed one-forms on  $X_0$  have the form  $\omega = dzA$ , this is the special case  $B = 0$  of the result just obtained: the transform has multiplier  $\exp -\delta \rho A$ .

For **Theorem 9.6**, begin with  $\mathcal{O}_X^\omega$  where  $\omega = dzA + d\theta B$  and there is no restriction on  $A, B$  in this projected situation. The image of  $\omega$  in  $\Omega_{X/X_0,cl}^1$  is  $d\theta B$  and we have  $\phi_0 = 1 - \theta B$ . From the change in  $\phi_0$  under  $S$  we find the multiplier  $\exp -\delta B$  for the direct image bundle on  $X_0$ .

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