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REMARKS ON THE LICHNEROWICZ-POISSON COHOMOLOGY

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The Lichnerowicz-Poisson (LP) cohomology of a Poisson manifold was defined in [L], and it provides a good framework to express deformation and quantization obstructions [L], [VK], [H], [V2]. The LP cohomology spaces are, generally, very large, and their structure is known only in some particular cases [VK], [X]. The homological algebraic place of these spaces was clarified in [H]. In the present note, we make a number of further remarks on the LP cohomology, most of them related with a certain natural spectral sequence which shows that, in the case of a regular Poisson manifold, the LP cohomology is connected with the cohomology of the sheaves of germs of foliated (i.e., projectable) forms of the symplectic foliation of the manifold (e.g., [V1]).

1. General remarks.

Let M^m be a Poisson manifold with the Poisson bivector Π , and put $\mathcal{V}^0(M) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} C^\infty(M)$, $\mathcal{V}(M) = \mathcal{V}^1(M) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$ the space of C^∞ vector fields of M , $\mathcal{V}^k(M) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$ the space of k -vector fields (i.e., antisymmetric k -contravariant tensor fields of M), $\mathcal{V}^*(M) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$ the space of Pfaff forms of M , and, finally $\mathcal{L}(M) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bigoplus_{k=0}^m \mathcal{V}^k(M)$ = the contravariant Grassmann algebra of M . The bivector Π has an associated morphism $\# : T^*M \rightarrow TM$, defined by $\beta(\alpha^\#) = \Pi(\alpha, \beta)$, $\forall \alpha, \beta \in T^*M$, and it yields the Poisson bracket of functions $\{f, g\} = \Pi(df, dg)$, as well as Hamiltonian vector fields X_f , $\forall f \in \mathcal{V}^0(M)$, given by $X_f g = \{f, g\}$. These fields define a generalized foliation with symplectic leaves called the *symplectic foliation* of (M, Π) (i.e., $\{X_f\}$ generate the tangent spaces of

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the leaves). It is important to remember that the Poisson bracket induces a bracket of Pfaff forms which is the unique natural extension of the formula $\{df, dg\} = d\{f, g\}$, and is given by

$$(1.1) \quad \{\alpha, \beta\} = L_\alpha \# \beta - L_\beta \# \alpha - d(\Pi(\alpha, \beta)).$$

The basic Poisson condition $[\Pi, \Pi] = 0$, where $[\ , \]$ denotes the Schouten-Nijenhuis bracket, ensures that $(\mathcal{V}^0(M), \{ \ , \ })$ and $(\mathcal{V}^*(M), \{ \ , \ })$ are Lie algebras. The same condition also shows that the operator $\sigma Q = -[\Pi, Q]$ is a coboundary on $\mathcal{L}(M)$ (i.e., $\sigma^2 = 0$), and the cohomology of the cochain complex (\mathcal{L}, σ) is, by definition, the LP cohomology of (M, Π) . Its spaces will be denoted by $H_{LP}^k(M, \Pi)$. It is also important to remind that, for $Q = \mathcal{V}^k(M)$, one has [BV]

$$(1.2) \quad (\sigma Q)(\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_k) = \sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i^\# (Q(\alpha_0, \dots, \hat{\alpha}_i, \dots, \alpha_k)) \\ + \sum_{i < j=0}^k (-1)^{i+j} Q(\{\alpha_i, \alpha_j\}, \alpha_0, \dots, \hat{\alpha}_i, \dots, \hat{\alpha}_j, \dots, \alpha_k),$$

where $\alpha_i \in \mathcal{V}^*(M)$, and $\hat{}$ denotes the absence of an argument.

Now, the definitions given above have some easy consequences such as

a) $[X], [VK]. H_{LP}^0(M, \Pi) = \{f \in C^\infty(M) / \forall g \in C^\infty(M), X_g f = 0\}$. (Since $\sigma f = -X_f$.)

b) $[X], [VK]. H_{LP}^1(M, \Pi) = \mathcal{V}_\pi(M) / \mathcal{V}_\#(M)$, where

$$\mathcal{V}_\pi(M) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{X \in \mathcal{V}(M) / L_X \Pi = 0\}, \quad \mathcal{V}_\#(M) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{X_f / f \in \mathcal{V}^0(M)\}.$$

(Since $\sigma X = -L_X \Pi$ [L].)

c) $[L], \sigma \Pi = 0$, and Π defines a *fundamental class* $[\Pi] \in H_{LP}^2(M, \Pi)$.

d) The LP cohomology satisfies the Mayer-Vietoris exact sequence property i.e., if U, V are open subsets of M , there is an exact sequence of the form

$$(1.3) \quad \dots \rightarrow H_{LP}^k(U \cup V, \Pi) \rightarrow H_{LP}^k(U, \Pi) \oplus H_{LP}^k(V, \Pi) \\ \rightarrow H_{LP}^k(U \cap V, \Pi) \rightarrow H_{LP}^{k+1}(U \cup V, \Pi) \rightarrow \dots$$

The definition of the arrows and the proof of the exactness are the same as for the de Rham cohomology (e.g., [BT]).

e) [L], [K]. Natural homomorphisms $\rho: H^k(M, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow H_{LP}^k(M, \Pi)$, which are isomorphisms in the symplectic case, exist. Namely, ρ is defined by the extension of $\#$ to k -forms λ by

$$(1.4) \quad \lambda^\#(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k) = (-1)^k \lambda(\alpha_1^\#, \dots, \alpha_k^\#),$$

since (1.2) shows that $\sigma(\lambda^\#) = (-1)^k (d\lambda)^\#$.

Because of e), it is natural to ask for a covariant interpretation of the whole LP cohomology via a Riemannian metric, and such an interpretation can be obtained by using Koszul's generating operators of the Schouten-Nijenhuis bracket. If we change signs such as to agree with [L], Koszul's formula for $[A, B]$ where $A \in \mathcal{V}^i(M)$, $B \in \mathcal{V}^j(M)$ is [K]

$$(1.5) \quad [A, B] = D_\nabla(A \wedge B) - (D_\nabla A) \wedge B - (-1)^i A \wedge (D_\nabla B),$$

where ∇ is a torsionless linear connection on M , and D_∇ is defined by the coordinatewise formula

$$(1.6) \quad (D_\nabla A)^{h_2, \dots, h_i} = \nabla_k A^{kh_2, \dots, h_i}.$$

If ∇ is the Riemannian connection of a metric g , (1.6) means $D_\nabla = -\#_g \delta_g \#_g^{-1}$, where $\#_g: T^*M \rightarrow TM$ is the well known musical isomorphism, and δ_g is the codifferential of (M, g) . Now, if we denote $\pi = \#_g^{-1} \Pi$, $B = \#_g \lambda$, and take $A = \Pi$ in (1.5), we obtain $\sigma(\#_g \lambda) = \#_g \delta_\pi$, where, if e (i) denotes the exterior (interior) multiplication by a form, one has

$$(1.7) \quad \delta_\pi = \delta_g e(\pi) - e(\pi) \delta_g - e(\delta_g \pi).$$

Hence, $H_{LP}^k(M, \Pi)$ are isomorphic to the cohomology spaces of the Grassmann complex ΛM endowed with the coboundary δ_π .

Of course, π must satisfy the condition $\delta_\pi \pi = 0$, which is equivalent to $[\Pi, \Pi] = 0$ i.e., we must have

$$(1.8) \quad \delta_g(\pi \wedge \pi) = 2\pi \wedge (\delta_g \pi),$$

and this is a new characterization of a Poisson structure which may have some usefulness. For instance, it shows that the parallel 2-forms of a Riemannian manifold (if any) and the harmonic 2-forms of a compact Riemannian symmetric space (where the exterior product of two harmonic forms is again a harmonic form) define Poisson structures. Formulas (1.7), (1.8) may also be used if we are looking for compatible

Poisson structures on a given symplectic manifold M with symplectic form ω i.e., Poisson bivectors Π such that $[\omega^{-1}, \Pi] = 0$ (e.g., [G]). After the choice of a metric g on M , this problem amounts to solving the equations

$$(1.9) \quad \delta_{\#_g^{-1}(\omega^{-1})}\pi = 0, \quad \delta_g(\pi \wedge \pi) = 2\pi \wedge \delta_g \pi,$$

where also, if we ask g to be almost Hermitian ω -compatible, then $\#_g^{-1}(\omega^{-1}) = \omega$. For instance, (1.9) shows that, if M is a compact Hermitian symmetric space, and ω is its Kähler form, then any harmonic form of M defines an ω -compatible Poisson structure. On the other hand, we shall notice that, in case M is compact and oriented, δ_π has the formal adjoint

$$(1.10) \quad d_\pi = i(\pi)d - di(\pi) - i(\delta_g \pi),$$

and we may expect to be able to apply the abstract Hodge decomposition theorem of [LT]. (From the expression of the Schouten-Nijenhuis bracket [L], it follows easily that the complex

$$\dots \rightarrow \mathcal{V}^k(M) \xrightarrow{\sigma} \mathcal{V}^{k+1}(M) \rightarrow \dots$$

is elliptic along the leaves of the symplectic foliation of (M, Π) .)

Finally, we make a remark which will be important for the next sections of this paper. Namely, that there is a Serre-Hochschild spectral sequence associated with the LP cohomology. Let $\mathcal{V}_0^*(M) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \ker \# =$ the space of *conormal* 1-forms of the symplectic foliation of (M, Π) . Since the bracket (1.1) satisfies $\{\alpha, \beta\}^\# = [\alpha^\#, \beta^\#]$ [BV], $\mathcal{V}_0^*(M)$ is an abelian ideal of $(\mathcal{V}^*(M), \{, \})$, and we may define the *filtration degree* of $Q \in \mathcal{V}^k(M)$ to be h if $Q(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k) = 0$ as soon as $\geq k - h + 1$ of the arguments are conormal. This yields a differential filtration of the LP complex $\mathcal{L}(M)$, where $S_h^k(M) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{the space of } k\text{-vector fields of filtration degree } h$ is equal to the locally finite span of $\{f_0 X_{f_1} \wedge \dots \wedge X_{f_h} \wedge Y_1 \wedge \dots \wedge Y_{k-h} / f_i \in \mathcal{V}^0(M), Y_j \in \mathcal{V}^1(M)\}$. Now, the spectral sequence which we have in mind, and which we shall denote by $E_r^{pq}(M, \Pi)$, is the one associated with this filtration i.e., the Serre-Hochschild sequence of the pair of Lie algebras $(\mathcal{V}^*(M), \mathcal{V}_0^*(M), \{, \})$. This sequence converges to $H_{\text{LP}}^*(M, \Pi)$, and one has (e.g., [F])

$$(1.11) \quad E_2^{pq}(M, \Pi) = H^p(V^*(M) / \mathcal{V}_0^*(M); H^q(\mathcal{V}_0^*(M); C^\infty(M))).$$

2. The regular case.

In the remaining part of this paper we assume that Π is of the constant rank $2n$, and $m = 2n + s$. This is the *regularity condition*, and then the symplectic foliation of (M, Π) , hereafter to be denoted by \mathcal{S} , is regular. Hence, we can and shall define a transversal distribution \mathcal{S}' , and $TM = \mathcal{S}' \oplus T\mathcal{S}$, $T^*M = \mathcal{S}'^* \oplus T^*\mathcal{S}$ induce a bigrading of the covariant and contravariant tensors of M . A tensor whose transversal degree is p and whose leafwise degree is q is said to be of the type (p, q) . We shall denote by $\mathcal{V}^{p,q}(M)$ and $\Lambda^{p,q}(M)$ the spaces of k -vector fields and k -forms ($k = p + q$) of the type (p, q) of M , respectively. For instance, it is easy to understand that $\ker \#$ (i.e., $\mathcal{V}_0^*(M)$) is just \mathcal{S}'^* = the space of the 1-forms of type $(1, 0)$, and that type $\Pi = (0, 2)$. (E.g., see [V1] for details on the bigrading of differential forms.)

Now, if $Q \in \mathcal{V}^k(M)$ is of type (p, q) ($p + q = k$), and if we use bihomogeneous arguments α_i in (1.2), we see that $\sigma = \sigma' + \sigma''$ where type $\sigma' = (-1, 2)$, type $\sigma'' = (0, 1)$, and, for arguments α of type $(1, 0)$ and β of type $(0, 1)$, one has

$$(2.1) \quad (\sigma' Q)(\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_{p-2}, \beta_0, \dots, \beta_{q+1}) = \sum_{i < j=0}^{q+1} (-1)^{i+j} Q(\{\beta_i, \beta_j\}, \alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_{p-2}, \beta_0, \dots, \hat{\beta}_i, \dots, \hat{\beta}_j, \dots, \beta_{q+1}),$$

$$(2.2) \quad (\sigma'' Q)(\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_{p-1}, \beta_0, \dots, \beta_q) = \sum_{i=0}^q (-1)^{p+i} \beta_i^\# (Q(\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_{p-1}, \beta_0, \dots, \hat{\beta}_i, \dots, \beta_q) + \sum_{i=0}^{p-1} \sum_{j=0}^q (-1)^{p+i+j} Q(\{\alpha_i, \beta_j\}, \alpha_0, \dots, \hat{\alpha}_i, \dots, \alpha_{p-1}, \beta_0, \dots, \hat{\beta}_j, \dots, \beta_q) + \sum_{i < j=0}^q (-1)^{p+i+j} Q(\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_{p-1}, \{\beta_i, \beta_j\}'' , \beta_0, \dots, \hat{\beta}_i, \dots, \hat{\beta}_j, \dots, \beta_q)).$$

Remember that type $\alpha = (1, 0)$ means $\alpha \in \mathcal{V}_0^*(M)$, and that the latter is an ideal of $\mathcal{V}^*(M)$. On the other hand, we denoted by $\{ , \}'$, $\{ , \}''$ the type $(1, 0)$ and $(0, 1)$ components of $\{ , \}$. Particularly, if type $X = (1, 0)$, we get easily

$$(2.3) \quad \{\beta_1, \beta_2\}'(X) = (L_X \pi)(\beta_1, \beta_2).$$

In this section we use the type decomposition of σ in order to indicate a recurrent computational process of the LP cohomology which, in fact, is similar to the one used in [VK] for the case where \mathcal{S} is a fibration. Take $Q \in \mathcal{V}^k(M)$, and decompose it as

$$(2.4) \quad Q = Q^{k,0} + Q^{k-1,1} + \dots + Q^{0,k},$$

where the indices denote the type of the components. Then, $\sigma Q = 0$ means

$$(2.5) \quad \sigma'' Q^{i,k-i} + \sigma' Q^{i+1,k-i-1} = 0 \quad (i=0, \dots, k).$$

For $i = k$, (2.5) gives $\sigma'' Q^{k,0} = 0$, and, on the other hand, $(Q + \tilde{Q})^{k,0} = Q^{k,0}$, $\forall \tilde{Q} \in \mathcal{V}^{k-1}(M)$. Therefore, there exist homomorphisms

$$(2.6) \quad p_{k,0}: H_{\text{LP}}^k(M, \Pi) \rightarrow \mathcal{V}_0^{k,0}(M),$$

where $\mathcal{V}_0^{k,0}(M)$ is the space of σ'' -closed k -vectors of type $(k,0)$, and, furthermore, (2.5) shows that $\text{im } p_{k,0}$ consists of k -vectors $Q^{k,0} \in \mathcal{V}_0^{k,0}(M)$ which satisfy the following sequence of existence conditions of k -vectors $Q^{k-1,1}, \dots, Q^{0,k}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} (c_1) \quad \sigma' Q^{k,0} &= \sigma''\text{-exact} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\sigma'' Q^{k-1,1}, \\ (c_2) \quad \sigma' Q^{k-1,1} &= \sigma''\text{-exact} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\sigma'' Q^{k-2,2}, \\ &\dots\dots\dots \\ (c_k) \quad \sigma' Q^{1,k-1} &= \sigma''\text{-exact} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\sigma'' Q^{0,k}. \end{aligned}$$

In this case we shall say that $\sigma' Q^{k,0}$ satisfies k times the σ'' -exactness condition, and we shall denote by $\mathcal{V}_{0(k)}^{k,0}(M)$ the space of such $Q^{k,0}$. If we also denote $\ker p_{k,0} = {}^0 H_{\text{LP}}^k(M, \Pi)$ = the space of k -dimensional LP cohomology classes whoses cocycles are (2.4) with $Q^{k,0} = 0$, we obtain the result of the first recurrence step

$$(2.7) \quad H_{\text{LP}}^k(M, \Pi) \approx {}^0 H_{\text{LP}}^k(M, \Pi) \oplus \mathcal{V}_{0(k)}^{k,0}(M).$$

Now, in the next step we have to compute ${}^0 H_{\text{LP}}^k(M, \Pi)$, and for this purpose we take the subcomplex ${}^0 \mathcal{L}(M)$ of $\mathcal{L}(M)$ consisting of multivectors Q with a vanishing $(\cdot, 0)$ component, and denote by $H^k({}^0 \mathcal{L}(M))$ its cohomology spaces. Then ${}^0 H_{\text{LP}}^k(M, \Pi)$ is the image of $H^k({}^0 \mathcal{L}(M))$ with respect to the inclusion: ${}^0 \mathcal{L}(M) \subseteq \mathcal{L}(M)$. It is clear that the complex $\mathcal{L}(M)/{}^0 \mathcal{L}(M)$ has coboundary zero, therefore, $H^k(\mathcal{L}/{}^0 \mathcal{L}) = (\mathcal{L}/{}^0 \mathcal{L})^k = \mathcal{V}^{k,0}(M)$. This gives us the exact sequence

$\mathcal{V}^{k-1,0}(M) \xrightarrow{\sigma} H^k({}^0\mathcal{L}(M)) \xrightarrow{\iota_*} H^k(\mathcal{L}(M))$, and we get

$$(2.8) \quad {}^0H_{\text{LP}}^k(M, \Pi) \approx H^k({}^0\mathcal{L}(M)) / \sigma(\mathcal{V}^{k-1,0}(M)).$$

Hence, the second step will have to consist of an analysis of $H^k({}^0\mathcal{L}(M))$, which can be made in the same way as in step 1, and resulting in a formula similar to (2.7), and so on.

For $k = 1$, we get easily

$$(2.9) \quad {}^0H_{\text{LP}}^1(M, \Pi) = \{X \in \mathcal{V}^{0,1}(M) / \sigma'' X = 0\} / \sigma''(\mathcal{V}^0(M)).$$

For $k = 2$, we have first

$$(2.10) \quad H^2({}^0\mathcal{L}(M)) = \frac{\{Q^{1,1} + Q^{0,2} / \sigma'' Q^{1,1} = 0, \sigma'' Q^{0,2} + \sigma' Q^{1,1} = 0\}}{\{\sigma'' X^{0,1}\}},$$

and the analysis which gave (2.7) now yields

$$(2.11) \quad H^2({}^0\mathcal{L}(M)) \approx {}^{\prime\prime}H^2(\mathcal{L}^{0,*}(M)) \oplus \mathcal{V}_{0(1)}^{1,1}(M),$$

where $\mathcal{L}^{0,*}(M) = \bigoplus_k \mathcal{V}^{0,k}(M)$, and ${}^{\prime\prime}H$ is its cohomology with respect to σ'' , and

$$(2.12) \quad \mathcal{V}_{0(1)}^{1,1}(M) = \{Q^{1,1} / \sigma'' Q^{1,1} = 0 \text{ and } \sigma' Q^{1,1} = \sigma''\text{-exact}\}.$$

(We shall see in Section 3 that, if the foliation \mathcal{S} is either transversally Riemannian or transversally symplectic, then

$${}^{\prime\prime}H^i(\mathcal{L}^{0,*}(M)) \approx H^i(M, \Phi^0(\mathcal{S})),$$

where $\Phi^0(\mathcal{S})$ is the sheaf of germs of functions which are constant along the leaves of \mathcal{S} .) Summing up the results we get

$$(2.13) \quad H_{\text{LP}}^2(M, \Pi) \approx ({}^{\prime\prime}H^2(\mathcal{L}^{0,*}(M)) \oplus ((\mathcal{V}_{0(1)}^{1,1}(M)) / \sigma(\mathcal{V}^{1,0}(M))) \oplus \mathcal{V}_{0(2)}^{2,0}(M)),$$

Etc.

3. The spectral sequence.

In this section we continue to refer to a regular Poisson manifold (M, Π) , and use the notation introduced in Section 2, while we are focussing on the spectral sequence $E_r^{pq}(M, \Pi)$ defined at the end of Section 1. We have :

PROPOSITION 3.1. — *The first terms of the LP Serre-Hochschild spectral sequence of a regular Poisson manifold (M, Π) are given by*

$$(3.1) \quad \begin{aligned} E_0^{pq}(M, \Pi) &= E_1^{pq}(M, \Pi) = \mathcal{V}^{q,p}(M), \\ E_2^{pq}(M, \Pi) &= H^p(\oplus \mathcal{V}^{q,*}, \sigma''). \end{aligned}$$

The reader can prove this by noticing that the h -filtering subcomplex of $\mathcal{L}(M)$ as defined in Section 1 is equal to $S_h(M) = \bigoplus_{i \geq h} \bigoplus_p \mathcal{V}^{p,i}(M)$, and then following the usual definition of E_r^{pq} . Here, we just prefer to observe that $\{\mathcal{L}(M) = \bigoplus \mathcal{W}^{i,j}(M), \sigma = \Sigma d_{hk}\}$, where $\mathcal{W}^{i,j}(M) = \mathcal{V}^{j,i}(M)$, and the terms of σ are $d_{01} = 0$, $d_{10} = \sigma''$, $d_{2,-1} = \sigma'$, is a double semipositive cochain complex in the sense of [V1], p. 76-77, and then (3.1) follows from this reference.

Now, let G be a metric of the vector bundle \mathcal{S}'^* of Section 2, and let $\tilde{\#} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \#_G \oplus \# : \mathcal{S}'^* \oplus T^*\mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}' \oplus T\mathcal{S}$ be the corresponding musical isomorphism also extended to $\Lambda^k(M) \rightarrow \mathcal{V}^k(M)$. Then, if λ is a differential form of type (p, q) , $\lambda^{\tilde{\#}}$ is a multivector of the same type, and we have

$$(3.2) \quad \begin{aligned} (\tilde{\#}^{-1} \sigma'' \lambda^{\tilde{\#}})(X_0, \dots, X_{p-1}, Y_0, \dots, Y_q) \\ = (-1)^{q+1} (\sigma'' \lambda^{\tilde{\#}})(\#_G^{-1} X_0, \dots, \#_G^{-1} X_{p-1}, \#^{-1} Y_0, \dots, \#^{-1} Y_q). \end{aligned}$$

In this relation, and in the sequel, we agree that type $X = (1, 0)$ and type $Y = (0, 1)$. Furthermore, in order to compute $\sigma'' \lambda^{\tilde{\#}}$ by (2.2) we establish first

$$\{\#^{-1} Y_i, \#^{-1} \tilde{Y}_j\}''^{\#} = \{\#^{-1} Y_i, \#^{-1} Y_j\}^{\#} = [Y_i, Y_j]$$

(remember that $\{\alpha, \beta\}^{\#} = [\alpha^{\#}, \beta^{\#}]$ [BV]), and using (1.1))

$$\{\#_G^{-1} X_i, \#^{-1} Y_j\}(X) = - (L_{Y_j} G^*)(X_i, X) - G^*([Y_j, X_i], X),$$

where G^* is the dual metric of G on \mathcal{S}' . If these formulas are used, and the result is compared with the formula of the \mathcal{S} -leafwise exterior differential d_f [V1], p. 184, one gets

$$(3.3) \quad \begin{aligned} (\tilde{\#}^{-1} \sigma'' \lambda^{\tilde{\#}})(X_0, \dots, X_{p-1}, Y_0, \dots, Y_q) \\ = - (d_f \lambda)(X_0, \dots, X_{p-1}, Y_0, \dots, Y_q) \\ + \sum_{i=0}^{p-1} \sum_{j=0}^q (-1)^{p+i+j} \lambda([(L_{Y_j} G^*)(X_i, \cdot)]^{\# G}, \\ X_0, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, X_{p-1}, Y_0, \dots, \hat{Y}_j, \dots, Y_q). \end{aligned}$$

Remark. — The same result holds if G is a symplectic structure on \mathcal{S}'^* .

This computation leads to

PROPOSITION 3.2. — *If the symplectic foliation \mathcal{S} of the regular Poisson manifold (M, Π) is either transversally Riemannian or transversally symplectic, one has*

$$(3.4) \quad E_2^{pq}(M, \Pi) = E_1^{pq}(\mathcal{S}) = H^p(M, \Phi^q(\mathcal{S}))$$

where $E_r^{pq}(\mathcal{S})$ is the spectral sequence of the foliation \mathcal{S} (e.g., [KT]), and $\Phi^q(\mathcal{S})$ is the sheaf of germs of \mathcal{S} -foliated q -forms of M (e.g., [V1]). Particularly, (3.4) holds if \mathcal{S} is a fibration.

Indeed, under the hypotheses, $L_Y G = 0$ in (3.3), and in view of (3.1) we get an isomorphism $E_2^{pq}(M, \Pi) = H^p(\oplus \Lambda^{q,*}(M), d_f)$. But then (3.4) is known [V1], p. 216, 222, 77. (Remember that an \mathcal{S} -foliated q -form is a q -form which, locally, is the pull-back of a form of a local transversal manifold of the foliation \mathcal{S} .)

Now, let us define an interesting special class of Poisson manifolds. A vector field V of M is \mathcal{S} -foliated if it sends leaves to leaves or, equivalently, $\forall Y \in T\mathcal{S}$, $[V, Y] \in T\mathcal{S}$. For instance, this happens if V is an infinitesimal automorphism of Π i.e., $L_V \Pi = 0$, a condition which is easily seen to be equivalent to each of the following two conditions, where $f, g \in C^\infty(M)$,

$$(3.5) \quad V\{f, g\} = [V, X_f](g) - [V, X_g](f),$$

$$(3.6) \quad [V, X_f] = X_{V(f)}.$$

A regular Poisson structure Π of M will be called *transversally constant* if \mathcal{S} has a transversal distribution \mathcal{S}' such that every local foliate vector field $V \in \mathcal{S}'$ is a local infinitesimal automorphism of Π . For instance, if $M = S \times N$, and Π is defined by a symplectic structure of S , the distribution $\mathcal{S}' = TN$ has this property. Particularly, the existence of the local canonical coordinates of Π in the sense of [L] p. 256-257, shows that every regular Poisson manifold is locally transversally constant. Another example is the *Dirac bracket* defined as follows. Let (M, ω) be a symplectic manifold endowed with a foliation \mathcal{F} such that ω induces symplectic structures of its leaves. These induced structures yield a Poisson bivector Π such that $\mathcal{S}(\Pi) = \mathcal{F}$, and $\{ , \}_\Pi$ is the Dirac bracket of (M, ω, \mathcal{F}) . It follows that every \mathcal{F} -foliate vector

field V which is ω -orthogonal to \mathcal{F} is an infinitesimal automorphism of Π . Indeed, for such V , (3.5) is equivalent to $(L_V\omega)(X_f, X_g) = 0$, and this is an easy consequence of $d\omega = 0$. Using this definition, we have

PROPOSITION 3.3. — *If Π is transversally constant, $\sigma' = 0$, and*

$$(3.7) \quad H_{LP}^k(M, \Pi) = \bigoplus_{k=0}^q E_2^{k-q, q}(M, \Pi).$$

Proof. — Of course, the proposition refers to σ' of (2.1) taken with respect to the distribution \mathcal{S}' involved in the definition of a transversally constant Poisson structure. Let us use the notation of (2.1), and evaluate there $\{\beta_i, \beta_j\}'_p(X_p)(p \in M, X_p \in \mathcal{S}'_p)$. This may be done by extending X_p to a local foliate (1,0)-vector field X , and using (2.3). Since Π is transversally constant, $L_X\Pi = 0$ and we get $\sigma' = 0$. Then, (3.7) follows from (3.1). Q.e.d.

We shall finish by giving various corollaries of Propositions 3.1, 3.2, 3.3.

COROLLARY 3.1. — *If (M, Π) is a transversally constant Poisson manifold whose symplectic foliation is either transversally Riemannian or transversally symplectic, one has*

$$(3.8) \quad H_{LP}^k(M, \Pi) = \bigoplus_{q=0}^k E_1^{q, k-q}(\mathcal{S}) = \bigoplus_{q=0}^k H^q(M, \Phi^{k-q}(\mathcal{S})).$$

COROLLARY 3.2. — *Let Π be a Dirac bracket of a symplectic manifold (M, ω) endowed with a leafwise symplectic foliation \mathcal{S} , and its ω -orthogonal distribution \mathcal{S}' . Assume that the bihomogeneous components of ω with respect to the decomposition $TM = \mathcal{S}' \oplus T\mathcal{S}$ are closed. Then, again, formula (3.8) holds good.*

Proof. — Being a Dirac bracket, Π is transversally constant. On the other hand, if $\omega = \omega_{(2,0)} + \omega_{(0,2)}$; the hypothesis $d\omega_{(2,0)} = 0$ implies $(L_Y\omega_{(2,0)})(X_1, X_2) = 0$ for $(Y \in T\mathcal{S}, X_{1,2} \in \mathcal{S}')$, and we see that $\omega_{(2,0)}$ defines a transversal symplectic structure of \mathcal{S} . Q.e.d.

COROLLARY 3.3 [X]. — *Let Π be the Poisson structure defined on $M = S \times N$ by a fixed symplectic structure of S , and assume that S has finite Betti numbers. Then one has*

$$(3.9) \quad H_{LP}^k(M, \Pi) = \bigoplus_{q=0}^k [H^q(S, \mathbb{R}) \otimes \Lambda^{k-q}(N)].$$

This result follows from (3.8) and from

PROPOSITION 3.4. — *Let \mathcal{F} be the foliation of $M = F \times N$ by the leaves $F \times \{x\}$ ($x \in N$), and assume that F has finite Betti numbers. Then*

$$(3.10) \quad H^q(M, \Phi^p(\mathcal{F})) = H^q(F, \mathbb{R}) \otimes \Lambda^p(N).$$

Proof. — For $q = 0$ the result was proven in [E] by a spectral sequence argument. Generally, we have the following straightforward argument. By the foliated de Rham theorem [V1], p. 216, we have

$$(3.11) \quad H^q(M, \Phi^p(\mathcal{F})) = \frac{\ker [d_f: \Lambda^{p,q}(M) \rightarrow \Lambda^{p,q+1}(M)]}{\operatorname{im} [d_f: \Lambda^{p,q-1}(M) \rightarrow \Lambda^{p,q}(M)]}.$$

In our case, $\Lambda^{p,q}(M)$ is isomorphic to the space $\Lambda^q(F, \Lambda^p(N))$ of $\Lambda^p(N)$ -valued q -forms on F by the mapping which sends $\lambda \in \Lambda^{p,q}(M)$ to $\tilde{\lambda} \in \Lambda^p(F, \Lambda^p(N))$ defined by

$$(\tilde{\lambda}_y(Y_1, \dots, Y_q))_x(X_1, \dots, X_p) = (-1)^p \lambda_{(x,y)}(X_1, \dots, X_p, Y_1, \dots, Y_q),$$

$y \in F$, $x \in N$, $Y_i \in T_y F$, $X_j \in T_x N$. Moreover, this isomorphism sends d_f to the exterior differential of $\Lambda^p N$ -valued forms. Hence (3.11) becomes

$$H^q(M, \Phi^p(\mathcal{F})) = H^q(F, \Lambda^p(N)) = H^q(F, \mathbb{R}) \otimes \Lambda^p(N),$$

where the last equality follows from the hypothesis on F . Q.e.d.

Remark. — If $M = S \times N$ of Corollary 3.3 is given a Poisson structure Π which has the symplectic foliation $S \times \{x\}$ ($x \in N$), but where each leaf has a different symplectic structure (e.g., the structure studied in [X]), Π is no more transversally constant, but we may use Propositions 3.2. and 3.4, and get

$$(3.12) \quad E_2^{pq}(M, \Pi) = H^p(S, \mathbb{R}) \otimes \Lambda^q(N).$$

COROLLARY 3.4. — *Let (M, Π) be an arbitrary regular Poisson manifold. Then every $x \in M$ has a connected open neighbourhood Y such that*

$$(3.13) \quad H_{\text{LP}}^k(U, \Pi|_U) = \Gamma(\Phi^k(\mathcal{S}|_U)),$$

i.e., the space of the \mathcal{S} -foliated k -forms over U .

Indeed, we may take $U = S \times N$ where S is contractible, and such that the product coordinates are canonical for Π in the sense of [L], p. 257. Then Corollary 3.3 holds on U , and we get (3.13). We shall say that such a neighbourhood U is LP-simple.

COROLLARY 3.5 (*The LP Poincaré Lemma [L]*). — *Let (M, Π) be a regular Poisson manifold, and $x \in M$. Then, there exists an open neighbourhood U of x in M such that, if $Q \in \mathcal{V}^k(U)$ and $\sigma Q = 0$, one has $Q = A + \sigma B$ for some $B \in \mathcal{V}^{k-1}(U)$ and a k -vector field A over U which is projectable to a k -vector field of a local transversal submanifold of \mathcal{S} in U .*

Proof. — Take U LP-simple, and with Π -canonical coordinates. The latter define a bigrading, and we may write $Q = \sum_{p=0}^k (\lambda^{p,k-p})^{\#}$, where λ are differential forms, and $\tilde{\#}$ is like in (3.2). The use of the canonical coordinates makes $\Pi|_U$ transversally constant and transversally Riemannian hence, by Proposition 3.3 and formula (3.3), $\sigma = \sigma''$, and $\sigma Q = 0$ is equivalent to $d_f \lambda^{p,k-p} = 0$ ($k=0, \dots, p$). But d_f satisfies a local Poincaré lemma [V1], p. 215, hence, there are local forms μ such that $\lambda^{p,k-p} = d_f \mu^{p,k-p-1}$ for $k-p > 0$, while $\lambda^{k,0}$ is a foliate form. The conclusion follows by using again (3.3). Q.e.d

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