

A LIE PRODUCT FOR THE COHOMOLOGY OF SUBALGEBRAS WITH COEFFICIENTS IN THE QUOTIENT

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1. **Outline.** We consider an *algebra* (i.e. an associative algebra or a Lie algebra) A and a subalgebra B . Then B , A and also A/B are (two-sided) B -modules in the obvious fashion. The exact sequence of coefficient modules

$$0 \rightarrow B \xrightarrow{i} A \xrightarrow{\pi} A/B \rightarrow 0$$

induces on the (graded) Hochschild [resp. Eilenberg-Mac Lane] cohomology modules the exact triangle of homomorphisms

$$(1) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} H^*(B, B) & \xrightarrow{i^*} & H^*(B, A) \\ & \searrow \delta^* & \swarrow \pi^* \\ & H^*(B, A/B) & \end{array}$$

The product operation in B , and similarly in A , induces a graded Lie algebra (GLA) structure (here called the *cup structure*) on $H^*(B, B)$ and $H^*(B, A)$ (cf., e.g., Gerstenhaber [2], Nijenhuis and Richardson [6]), and i^* is known to be a homomorphism of these structures. The cup structure on $H^*(B, B)$ is abelian; cf. [2]. It is also known that $H^*(B, B)$ has another GLA structure (here called the *comp structure*) with respect to the reduced grading (elements of $H^n(B, B)$ have reduced degree $n-1$; cf. [2], [7]). The following theorem supplements this information.

THEOREM. *Let A be an algebra, B a subalgebra and let A/B have its natural structure as a B -module. Then $H^*(B, A/B)$ has a GLA structure (cup structure). The maps i^* and π^* in the exact triangle (1) are homomorphisms of cup structures. The image of i^* belongs to the center of $H^*(B, A)$. The map δ^* is a homomorphism between the cup structure of $H^*(B, A/B)$ and the comp structure of $H^*(B, B)$.*

The theorem has immediate relevance for the theory of deformations. $H^1(B, A)$ is the set of infinitesimal nontrivial deformations of

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the homomorphism i ; the cup product provides the obstructions to finite deformations (cf. Nijenhuis and Richardson [6]). $H^1(B, A/B)$ is the set of nontrivial infinitesimal deformations of B as a subalgebra of A (cf. Richardson [8]). In a forthcoming paper we shall show that the cup product provides the obstructions to finite deformations. $H^2(B, B)$ is the set of nontrivial deformations of the structure of B (subject only to the condition that the structure remain of the same type—associative or Lie), and the comp product gives the obstructions to finite deformations (cf. Gerstenhaber [3] and Nijenhuis and Richardson [7].) The homomorphisms i^* , π^* and δ^* provide the natural relationships between the infinitesimal deformations of the various kinds and the obstructions.

The origin of the formula (11) which defines the cup product in $H^*(B, A/B)$ can be found in differential geometry, where it exists as an operation yielding a vector form (differential form with values which are tangent vectors) as the product of two vector forms through a process of differentiation without the intervention of any additional structure (e.g. a connection; cf. Nijenhuis [4] and Frölicher and Nijenhuis [1]). It has been extensively applied to deformations of complex structures. The present result may also have implications for the cohomology of foliations, as a foliation is a subalgebra of the Lie algebra of vector fields.

2. Basic formulas. Let B denote a vector space over a field k . If f and g are cochains, i.e., elements of $C^*(B, B) = \text{Hom}_k(\otimes B, B)$, of degrees n resp. m , the composition product $f \bar{\circ} g$, of degree $n + m - 1$, is defined by

$$(2) \quad (f \bar{\circ} g)(x_1, \dots, x_{n+m-1}) \\ = \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{(i-1)(m-1)} f(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, g(x_i, \dots, x_{i+m-1}), x_{i+m}, \dots, x_{n+m-1}).$$

Although generally not associative (cf. [2]),

$$(3) \quad (f \bar{\circ} g) \bar{\circ} h - f \bar{\circ} (g \bar{\circ} h) = (-1)^{(m-1)(p-1)} \{ (f \bar{\circ} h) \bar{\circ} g - f \bar{\circ} (h \bar{\circ} g) \}$$

for $h \in C^p(B, B)$, this product has a commutator

$$(4) \quad [f, g]^{\circ} = g \bar{\circ} f - (-1)^{(m-1)(n-1)} f \bar{\circ} g$$

which defines a GLA structure (comp structure) on $C^*(B, B)$, with respect to the reduced grading. For $\mu \in C^2(B, B)$ the condition $\mu \bar{\circ} \mu = 0$ (or $[\mu, \mu]^{\circ} = 0$ if $\text{char } k \neq 2$) is equivalent to μ defining an

associative algebra structure on B . The Hochschild coboundary operator on $C^*(B, B)$ is given by $\delta f = -[\mu, f]^\circ$.

Let A be an associative algebra with product map μ , and let B be a subalgebra. Then every $f \in C^*(B, A)$ is the restriction to B of some (not unique) $\bar{f} \in C^*(A, A)$. The restriction of $-[\mu, \bar{f}]$ to B depends on f but not on the choice of \bar{f} , and is $\delta f \in C^*(B, A)$. For every $f \in C^*(B, A/B)$ there is a (nonunique) $\bar{f} \in C^*(B, A)$ such that $\pi \circ \bar{f} = f$. Then $\pi \circ \delta \bar{f}$ depends on f but not the choice of \bar{f} , and is just $\delta f \in C^*(B, A/B)$.

If $f, g \in C^*(B, A)$ have degrees n resp. m , then $f \cup g$, of degree $n + m$, is defined by (cf. [2])

$$(5) \quad (f \cup g)(x_1, \dots, x_{n+m}) = \mu(f(x_1, \dots, x_n), g(x_{n+1}, \dots, x_{n+m})).$$

As this product is associative, commutators yield a GLA structure, defined thus:

$$(6) \quad [f, g]^\vee = f \cup g - (-1)^{mn} g \cup f.$$

The operator δ acts as a derivation of degree 1 with respect to the cup structure on $C^*(B, A)$, hence induces the cup structure on $H^*(B, A)$. Also, $\bar{\circ} h$ acts as a derivation of degree $p - 1$. If f has values in B , then $[f, g]^\vee$ is expressible in terms of $\bar{\circ}$ (cf. [2])

$$(7) \quad \begin{aligned} [f, g]^\vee &= (-1)^{m-1} \{ (\mu \bar{\circ} g) \bar{\circ} f - \mu \bar{\circ} (g \circ f) \} \\ &= \delta g \bar{\circ} f + (-1)^n \delta (g \bar{\circ} f) - (-1)^n g \bar{\circ} \delta f. \end{aligned}$$

This provides a formula for $\delta(g \bar{\circ} f)$, and also shows that the cup structure on $H^*(B, B)$ is abelian. In fact, it shows the following:

LEMMA 2.1. *The image $i^*(H^*(B, B))$ belongs to the center of $H^*(B, A)$ with respect to the cup structure.*

A second complex, $C^*(B, B) \text{Hom}_k(\Lambda B, B)$ has a composition product, usually called the hook product, defined by

$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} (f \bar{\wedge} g)(x_1, \dots, x_{n+m-1}) \\ = \sum_{\sigma} \text{sg } \sigma f(g(x_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, x_{\sigma(m)}, x_{\sigma(m+1)}, \dots, x_{\sigma(n+m-1)})) \end{aligned}$$

where the sum extends over those permutations σ of $\{1, \dots, n + m - 1\}$ for which $\sigma(1) < \dots < \sigma(m)$ and $\sigma(m + 1) < \dots < \sigma(n + m - 1)$. Its properties are formally completely analogous to those of $f \bar{\circ} g$, e.g. (3) holds; we define $[f, g]^\circ$ as in (4); $\mu \in C^*(B, B)$ satisfies $\mu \bar{\wedge} \mu = 0$ (equivalent to $[\mu, \mu]^\circ = 0$ if $\text{char } k \neq 2$) if and only if μ defines a Lie algebra structure on B , and the Chevalley-Eilenberg coboundary is given by $\delta f = -[\mu, f]^\circ$. The product $[f, g]^\vee$ is defined by

$$(9) \quad [f, g]^\cup(x_1, \dots, x_{n+m}) = \sum_{\sigma} \text{sg } \sigma \mu(f(x_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, x_{\sigma(n)}), g(x_{\sigma(n+1)}, \dots, x_{\sigma(n+m)}))$$

where the sum extends over those permutations σ of $\{1, \dots, n+m\}$ for which $\sigma(1) < \dots < \sigma(n)$ and $\sigma(n+1) < \dots < \sigma(n+m)$. The analogue of (7) holds, too. The references in the Lie case are [1], [6], [7]. Lemma 2.1 holds, too.

The case when $\text{char } k=2$, or when k is a ground ring (unitary and commutative) in which division by 2 is not possible, needs separate treatment. Many details are as in [5]; we only comment on a few essentials. We set $Q^\circ(f) = f \bar{\circ} f$ (resp. $f \bar{\cap} f$) for n even, and $Q^\cup(f) = f \cup f$ in the associative case, for n odd. In the Lie case we set $Q^\cup(f)$ equal to the sum on the right in (9), with $f=g$, $m=n$ odd, and with the extra restriction $\sigma(1) < \sigma(n+1)$. The GLA structures thus obtained are then strong in the sense of [5]. The operator Q^\cup does not generally vanish on $H^*(B, B)$, however, so the cup structure on $H^*(B, B)$ is not abelian in the strong sense. This is not surprising in view of the fact that $Q^\cup(f) = \text{Sq}(f)$ when $\text{char } k=2$ (cf. [3]).

3. Proof of the theorem. Lemma 2.1 proves the statement on the image of i^* . The statements of Lemmas 3.1–4 show the existence of a GLA (“cup”) structure on $H^*(B, A/B)$. The homomorphism properties of i^* and π^* are obvious from (11); the homomorphism property of δ^* is obvious from Lemma 3.4. All statements depend on the formal properties of §2 and are made only for the associative case. In all cases A is an algebra, B a subalgebra; $n = \text{deg } f$ and $m = \text{deg } g$.

LEMMA 3.1. *Let A be an algebra. Then*

$$(10) \quad [f, g] = [f, g]^\cup + (-1)^n g \bar{\circ} \delta f + (-1)^{mn+m+1} f \bar{\circ} \delta g$$

defines a GLA structure on $C^(A, A)$. [When $\text{char } k=2$, set $Q(f) = Q^\cup(f) - f \bar{\circ} \delta f$ for n odd and get a strong GLA structure.]*

PROOF. By tedious computation: as this lemma is not used in the following ones, the identities derived there (with $B=A$) may be used, in addition to those in §2. See also [9] for some further details on the operation (10).

LEMMA 3.2 *Let $f, g \in C^*(B, A/B)$; let $\delta f=0, \delta g=0$, and let $\bar{f}, \bar{g} \in C^*(B, A)$ be such that $f = \pi \circ \bar{f}; g = \pi \circ \bar{g}$. Then $\delta \bar{f}, \delta \bar{g}$ have values in B , and*

$$(11) \quad [\bar{f}, \bar{g}] = [f, g]^\vee + (-1)^n \bar{g} \bar{\circ} \delta \bar{f} + (-1)^{mn+m+1} \bar{f} \bar{\circ} \delta \bar{g}$$

belongs to $C^*(B, A)$ and its projection (by left-composition with π) on $C^*(B, A/B)$ depends on \bar{f}, \bar{g} (given f, g) by no more than a coboundary.

PROOF. Any two choices of f differ by an element ϕ of $C^n(B, B)$. Hence, by (7)

$$\begin{aligned} [\bar{f} + \phi, \bar{g}] - [\bar{f}, \bar{g}] &= [\phi, \bar{g}]^\vee + (-1)^n \bar{g} \bar{\circ} \delta \phi + (-1)^{mn+m+1} \phi \bar{\circ} \delta \bar{g} \\ &= \delta \bar{g} \bar{\circ} \phi + (-1)^n \delta(\bar{g} \bar{\circ} \phi) + (-1)^{n-1} \bar{g} \bar{\circ} \delta \phi \\ &\quad + (-1)^n \bar{g} \bar{\circ} \delta \phi + (-1)^{mn+m+1} \phi \bar{\circ} \delta \bar{g}. \end{aligned}$$

Two terms cancel; left composition with π reduces the result to $(-1)^n \delta(g \bar{\circ} \phi)$.

LEMMA 3.3. Let f, g, \bar{f}, \bar{g} be as in Lemma 3.2, and let $\bar{h} \in C^{n-1}(B, A)$ be such that $\delta \bar{h} = \bar{f}$. Then $\pi \circ [\bar{f}, \bar{g}]$ is a coboundary in $C^*(B, A/B)$.

PROOF. By computation

$$\begin{aligned} [\bar{f}, \bar{g}] &= [\delta \bar{h}, \bar{g}]^\vee + (-1)^n \bar{g} \bar{\circ} \delta \delta \bar{h} - (-1)^{mn+m} \delta \bar{h} \bar{\circ} \delta \bar{g} \\ &= \delta[\bar{h}, \bar{g}]^\vee - (-1)^{n-1} [\bar{h}, \delta \bar{g}]^\vee - (-1)^{mn+m} \delta \bar{h} \bar{\circ} \delta \bar{g} \\ &= \delta[\bar{h}, \bar{g}]^\vee + (-1)^{mn+m} \{ \delta \bar{h} \bar{\circ} \delta \bar{g} + (-1)^{m-1} \delta(\bar{h} \bar{\circ} \delta \bar{g}) \\ &\quad + (-1)^{m+1} \bar{h} \bar{\circ} \delta \delta \bar{g} \} - (-1)^{mn+m} \delta \bar{h} \bar{\circ} \delta \bar{g}. \end{aligned}$$

Two terms cancel, one is zero, and the rest are coboundaries. Left-composition with π yields coboundaries in $C^*(B, A/B)$.

LEMMA 3.4. Let f, g, \bar{f}, \bar{g} be as in Lemma 3.2; then

$$(12) \quad \delta[\bar{f}, \bar{g}] = [\delta \bar{f}, \delta \bar{g}]^\circ \in C^*(B, B).$$

PROOF. By computation:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta[\bar{f}, \bar{g}] &= \delta[\bar{f}, \bar{g}]^\vee + (-1)^n \delta(\bar{g} \bar{\circ} \delta \bar{f}) + (-1)^{mn+m+1} \delta(\bar{f} \bar{\circ} \delta \bar{g}) \\ &= \delta[\bar{f}, \bar{g}]^\vee + (-1)^n \{ (-1)^{n+1} [\delta \bar{f}, \bar{g}]^\vee + (-1)^n \delta \bar{g} \bar{\circ} \delta \bar{f} + \bar{g} \bar{\circ} \delta \delta \bar{f} \\ &\quad + (-1)^{mn+m+1} \{ (-1)^{m+1} [\delta \bar{g}, \bar{f}]^\vee + (-1)^m \delta \bar{f} \bar{\circ} \delta \bar{g} + \bar{f} \bar{\circ} \delta \delta \bar{g} \} \\ &= \delta[\bar{f}, \bar{g}]^\vee - [\delta \bar{f}, \bar{g}]^\vee - (-1)^n [\bar{f}, \delta \bar{g}]^\vee + \delta \bar{g} \bar{\circ} \delta \bar{f} + (-1)^{mn+1} \delta \bar{f} \bar{\circ} \delta \bar{g} \\ &= [\delta \bar{f}, \delta \bar{g}]^\circ. \end{aligned}$$

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BOUNDED APPROXIMATION BY POLYNOMIALS WITH RESTRICTED ZEROS¹

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1. Introduction. Let C be a rectifiable Jordan curve, D its interior. A sequence of polynomials $P_n(z)$ is said to converge boundedly to a function $f(z)$ in D , or equivalently, $f(z)$ is said to be boundedly approximated by the polynomials $P_n(z)$ in D , if $\sup\{|P_n(z)| : z \in D\}$ is bounded as a function of n , and $\{P_n(z)\}$ converges to $f(z)$ throughout D . It is known [1], [6] that $f(z)$ can be boundedly approximated by polynomials in D if and only if $f(z)$ is a bounded holomorphic function in D . In this paper we consider the more delicate bounded approximation problem in which the zeros of the polynomials are required to lie on the boundary C . Polynomials whose zeros lie on C are called C -polynomials.

A different kind of approximation by C -polynomials was studied by G. R. MacLane [5]. He proved that if $f(z)$ is holomorphic and zero free in D , then there exists a sequence of C -polynomials which converges to $f(z)$ uniformly on every compact subset of D . This result was later extended by J. Korevaar [3] and his students [4] to more general sets D .

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