

Higher order Hochschild cohomology

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Abstract

Following ideas of Pirashvili, we define higher order Hochschild cohomology over spheres S^d defined for any commutative algebra A and module M . When $M = A$, we prove that this cohomology is equipped with graded commutative algebra and degree d Lie algebra structures as well as with Adams operations. All operations are compatible in a suitable sense. These structures are related to Brane topology.

Résumé

Cohomologie de Hochschild supérieure. A la manière de Pirashvili, on peut associer une cohomologie de Hochschild supérieure associée aux sphères S^d définie pour toute algèbre commutative A et module M . Lorsque $M = A$, cette cohomologie est munie d'un produit gradué commutatif, d'un crochet de Lie de degré d et d'opérations d'Adams. Ces structures sont compatibles entre elles et sont reliées à la topologie des Branes.

Version française abrégée

La topologie des cordes [3] est l'étude des structures algébriques de $H_*(\text{Map}(S^1, M))$ (où M est une variété) induites par des opérations sur le cercle telles que la multiplication $S^1 \times S^1 \rightarrow S^1$ ou la composition de lacets. La topologie des cordes est intimement reliée à la cohomologie de Hochschild via l'isomorphisme $H_{*+\dim(M)}(\text{Map}(S^1, M)) \cong HH^*(C^*(M), C^*(M))$ pour M 1-connexe. De fait, la plupart des structures algébriques apparaissant en topologie des cordes ont un analogue pour la cohomologie de Hochschild $HH^*(A, A)$ d'une algèbre A ce qui permet, entre autres, d'étendre la topologie des cordes au cas des espaces à dualité de Poincaré. La topologie des Branes est une généralisation de la topologie des cordes où le cercle est remplacé par une sphère de dimension d . Sullivan et Voronov ont montré que $H_{*+\dim(M)}(\text{Map}(S^d, M))$ est une $d+1$ -algèbre (c'est à dire une algèbre sur l'homologie de l'opérades des petits cubes de dimension $d+1$). On peut consulter [4] pour plus de détails sur tout ceci. Une interprétation de la topologie des Branes en cohomologie "de Hochschild" des d -algèbres a été donnée par Hu [6] en utilisant une version topologique de la généralisation par Kontsevich de la conjecture de Deligne [7].

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Une très intéressante et différente généralisation de la (co)homologie de Hochschild pour les algèbres commutatives est due à Pirashvili [11] : à tout ensemble simplicial X_\bullet est associé *fonctoriellement* une homologie de Hochschild $HH^{X_\bullet}(-, -)$ qui coïncide avec la définition usuelle lorsque X_\bullet est le modèle simplicial standard S^1_\bullet du cercle. Un point clé est que cette théorie homologique ne dépend en fait que du type d'homologie simpliciale de X_\bullet . En particulier, on obtient facilement de nombreux complexes calculant $HH^X(A, M)$ (pour toute algèbre commutative A et A -module M). Le dual de la construction de Pirashvili permet de définir une cohomologie de Hochschild $HH^*_X(A, A)$. On s'intéresse au cas $X = S^d$, $d > 1$. Par functorialité en X_\bullet de $HH^*_X(A, A)$, on obtient des opérations d'Adams ψ^k comme la composition

$$HH^*_{S^d}(A, M) \xrightarrow{\text{dg}^*} HH^*_{S^d \vee \dots \vee S^d}(A, M) \xrightarrow{p^*} HH^*_{S^d}(A, M)$$

et donc une décomposition de Hodge en caractéristique zéro. Les applications $p : S^d \rightarrow S^d \vee \dots \vee S^d$ et $\text{dg} : S^d \vee \dots \vee S^d \rightarrow S^d$ sont respectivement des itérations du pincement et de la codiagonale. Une idée similaire permet de définir des \cup_i -produits ($i = 0 \dots d$) sur le complexe singulier. On en déduit

Théorème 0.1 *Soit A une algèbre commutative. Il existe une structure de $d+1$ -algèbre munie d'opérations d'Adams sur $HH^*_{S^d}(A, A)$. De plus les opérations d'Adams sont des morphismes de $d+1$ -algèbres.*

En caractéristique zéro, l'isomorphisme de Hochschild Kostant Rosenberg a un analogue pour $d > 1$:

Théorème 0.2 *Soit (A, d_A) une algèbre différentielle graduée commutative libre. Il existe un isomorphisme naturel de $d+1$ -algèbres préservant la décomposition de Hodge*

$$HKR : H^*(\text{Hom}_A(S^*(\Omega_A[d]), A), d_A) \rightarrow HH^*_{S^d}(A, A).$$

*De plus, tout quasi-isomorphisme $(A, d_A) \rightarrow (B, d_B)$ induit un isomorphisme $HH^*_{S^d}(A, A) \cong HH^*_{S^d}(B, B)$ de $d+1$ -algèbres préservant les opérations d'Adams.*

On en déduit alors que si X est un espace d -connexe à dualité de Poincaré et (A, d_A) un modèle rationnel pour X , il y a un isomorphisme rationnel $H_{*+\dim(X)}(\text{Map}(S^d, X)) \cong HH^*_{S^d}(A, A)$. En particulier, l'homologie de $\text{Map}(S^d, X)$ est munie d'une structure de Hodge et de $d+1$ -algèbre compatibles.

1. Introduction

String topology [3] and its relation to Hochschild cohomology have recently drawn considerable attention. String topology deals with the rich algebraic structure of $H_*(\text{Map}(S^1, M))$ where M is a manifold. Most of these structures have a counterpart in Hochschild cohomology of an algebra with value in itself. Note that if M is 1-connected, then $H_{*+\dim(M)}(\text{Map}(S^1, M)) \cong HH^*(C^*(M), C^*(M))$. The latter result extends the string topology structure to Poincaré duality spaces X . Brane topology is a higher dimensional version of string topology where S^1 is replaced by d -dimensional spheres S^d . It was proved by Sullivan Voronov that $H_{*+\dim(M)}(\text{Map}(S^d, M))$ is a $d+1$ -algebra (that is an algebra over the little $d+1$ -cube operad). See [4] for details on this and above. On one hand, a nice interpretation of Brane topology in terms of "Hochschild" cohomology of d -algebras was given by Hu [6] using a topological analog of Kontsevich generalization of Deligne conjecture [7].

On the other hand, Pirashvili [11] has shown how to define a Hochschild homology theory for commutative algebras associated *functorially* to any simplicial set X_\bullet , such that the classical Hochschild homology is given by the standard simplicial model of S^1 . Since this homology depends only on the homology type of the simplicial set, one gets for free many cochain complexes computing it and a lot of flexibility to build operations in homology. A very important point in Pirashvili's construction is that the resulting homology depends only of the homology type of the simplicial set. In particular, one gets freely many quasi-isomorphic cochain complex computing the same cohomology which, thanks to the functoriality on X_\bullet , gives a lot of flexibility to describe operations in Hochschild homology. It is trivial to dualize

Pirashvili's construction in order to define Hochschild cohomology $HH_X^*(A, A)$. In this paper we study $HH_{S^d}(A, A)$ and prove that it is a $d + 1$ -algebra equipped with compatible Adams operations see Theorems 5.3 and 6.1. Moreover, in characteristic 0 if A is a model for a d -connected Poincaré duality space X , then $HH_{S^d}^*(A, A) \cong H_{*+\dim(X)}(\text{Map}(S^d, X))$. In particular it adds a Hodge decomposition into the framework of Brane topology and provide a new higher order Hochschild cohomology analog of it. We also make explicit these algebraic structures when A is free commutative, thus providing an efficient tool for computations.

Notations : Let \mathbf{k} be a field. The category of \mathbf{k} -vector spaces will be denoted Vect . The standard n -dimensional simplex will be written Δ^n . We simply write Δ for the simplicial category and $I = [0, 1]$ for the interval. If X is a finite set we write $\#X$ for its cardinal.

2. Γ -modules and Hochschild cochain complexes over spheres

Let Γ be the category of finite pointed sets. We write k_+ for the set $\{0, 1, \dots, k\}$ with 0 as base point. A right Γ -module is a functor $\Gamma^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Vect}$. The category $\text{Mod} - \Gamma$ of right Γ -modules is abelian with enough projectives and injectives. Details can be found in [11]. The significance of Γ -modules in Hochschild (co)homology was first understood by Loday [9] who initiated the following constructions. Let A be a commutative unital algebra and M a symmetric A -bimodule. The right Γ -module $\mathcal{H}(A, M)$ is defined on objects k_+ by $\mathcal{H}(A, M)(k_+) = \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{k}}(A^{\otimes k}, M)$. For a map $n_+ \xrightarrow{\phi} m_+$ and $f \in \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{k}}(A^{\otimes m}, M)$, the linear map $\mathcal{H}(A, M)(\phi)(f) \in \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{k}}(A^{\otimes n}, M)$ is given, for any $a_1, \dots, a_n \in A$, by

$$\mathcal{H}(A, M)(\phi)(f)(a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_n) = b_0.f(b_1 \otimes \dots \otimes b_m)$$

where $b_i = \prod_{0 \neq j \in \phi^{-1}(i)} a_j$ (the empty product is set to be the unit 1 of A). Given a cocommutative coalgebra C and a C -comodule N , Pirashvili [11] defined a right Γ -module ${}^{\text{co}}\mathcal{L}(C, N)$ given on objects by ${}^{\text{co}}\mathcal{L}(C, N)(k_+) = N \otimes C^{\otimes k}$. The action on arrows is as for $\mathcal{H}(A, M)$ replacing multiplications by comultiplications. Both constructions make sense with differential graded algebras and coalgebras. For example, if L_{\bullet} is a simplicial set, then its homology is a cocommutative coalgebra and ${}^{\text{co}}\mathcal{L}(H_*(L), H_*(L))$ is a graded right Γ -module. In particular its degree q part yields the right Γ -module ${}^{\text{co}}\mathcal{L}_q(H_*(L), H_*(L))$.

A right Γ -module R can be extended to a functor $\text{Fin}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Vect}$, where Fin is the category of pointed sets, by taking limits : $\text{Fin} \ni Y \mapsto R(Y) := \lim_{\Gamma \ni X \rightarrow Y} R(X)$. Thus, given any pointed simplicial set Y_{\bullet} and right Γ -module R one gets a cosimplicial vector space $R(Y_{\bullet})$. The dual of Theorem 2.4 in [11] is

Lemma 2.1 *Let $R \in \text{Mod} - \Gamma$ and L_{\bullet} be a pointed simplicial set. There exists a spectral sequence*

$$E_1^{p,q} = \text{Ext}_{\text{Mod} - \Gamma}^p({}^{\text{co}}\mathcal{L}_q(H_*(L), H_*(L)), R) \implies H^{p+q}R(L_{\bullet}).$$

In particular if $\alpha : X_{\bullet} \rightarrow Y_{\bullet}$ is a map of pointed simplicial sets, by functoriality it induces a map of cosimplicial vector spaces $R(Y_{\bullet}) \rightarrow R(X_{\bullet})$ which is an isomorphism in cohomology when $\alpha_* : H_*(X_{\bullet}) \rightarrow H_*(Y_{\bullet})$ is an isomorphism. This motivates the following definition.

Definition 2.2 *Let X be a topological space, X_{\bullet} a simplicial set whose realisation is homeomorphic to X , A a commutative unital algebra and M a A -module. The Hochschild cohomology over X of A with value in M , denoted $HH_X^*(A, M)$, is the cohomology $H^*(\mathcal{H}(A, M)(X_{\bullet}))$.*

By Lemma 2.1 it is independent of the choice of X_{\bullet} . Furthermore any simplicial set Y_{\bullet} connected to X_{\bullet} by a zigzag of quasi-isomorphisms gives a cochain complex computing $HH_X^*(A, M)$. This complex, denoted $C_{Y_{\bullet}}^*(A, M)$, is the one underlying the cosimplicial vector space $\mathcal{H}(A, M)(Y_{\bullet})$.

3. Hochschild cochain complexes over spheres

Taking $X = S^d$, we get three canonical complexes computing $HH_{S^d}^*(A, M)$:

- The **standard complex** $C_{S^d}^*(A, M)$ is the cochain complex associated to $\mathcal{H}(A, M)(S_\bullet^d)$ where $S_\bullet^d := S_\bullet^1 \wedge \cdots \wedge S_\bullet^1$ (d -factors). Here S_\bullet^1 is the standard simplicial set representing the circle which has a nondegenerate simplex in dimension 0 and 1 so that $S_n^1 = n_+$. In particular $C_{S^1}^*(A, M)$ is the usual Hochschild cochain complex of A with value in M .
- The **small complex** $C_{S_{sm}^d}^*(A, M)$ is the cochain complex of $\mathcal{H}(A, M)((S_{sm}^d)_\bullet)$ where $(S_{sm}^d)_\bullet$ is a simplicial set with one nondegenerate simplex in degree 0 and d . Thus $(S_{sm}^d)_n \cong \binom{n}{d}_+$.
- The **singular complex** $C_{\Delta_\bullet(S^d)}^*(A, M)$ is the cochain complex associated to $\mathcal{H}(A, M)(\Delta_\bullet(S^d))$ where $\Delta_\bullet(S^d)$ is the fibrant simplicial set which in dimension n is the set of maps $\Delta^n \rightarrow S^d$. By functoriality, there is a chain complex map $C_{\Delta_\bullet(S^d)}^*(A, M) \rightarrow C_{X_\bullet}^*(A, M)$ for any simplicial set X_\bullet whose realisation is S^d .

All cochain complexes above came from cosimplicial vector spaces structure. Thus they are quasi-isomorphic to their normalized complexes, that is the subcomplexes obtained by taking the kernel of degeneracies. Henceforth, we tacitly assume that our cochain complexes are normalized ones.

Now assume that B is a commutative A -algebra (for example $B = A$). Let X_\bullet, Y_\bullet be finite pointed simplicial sets. Given pointed finite simplicial sets X_\bullet, Y_\bullet we can form the cosimplicial vector spaces $\mathcal{H}(A, B)(X_\bullet) \otimes \mathcal{H}(A, B)(Y_\bullet)$ (with the diagonal cosimplicial structure) and $\mathcal{H}(A, B)(X_\bullet \vee Y_\bullet)$. There is a cosimplicial map $\mu : \mathcal{H}(A, B)(X_\bullet) \otimes \mathcal{H}(A, B)(Y_\bullet) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}(A, B)(X_\bullet \vee Y_\bullet)$ given for any $f \in \text{Hom}(A^{\otimes \#X_n}, B)$, $g \in \text{Hom}(A^{\otimes \#Y_n}, B)$ by

$$\mu(f, g)(x_1, \dots, x_{\#X_n}, y_1, \dots, y_{\#Y_n}) = f(x_1, \dots, x_{\#X_n}) \cdot g(y_1, \dots, y_{\#Y_n}).$$

By limit arguments it extends to (nonnecessarily finite) pointed simplicial sets X_\bullet, Y_\bullet .

Lemma 3.1 *Composing μ with the Eilenberg-Zilber quasi-isomorphisms gives "associative" cochain maps*

- i) $m_{st} : C_{S^d}^*(A, B) \otimes C_{S^d}^*(A, B) \rightarrow C_{S^d \vee S^d}^*(A, B)$;
- ii) $m_{sm} : C_{S_{sm}^d}^*(A, B) \otimes C_{S_{sm}^d}^*(A, B) \rightarrow C_{(S_{sm}^d)_\bullet \vee (S_{sm}^d)_\bullet}^*(A, B)$;
- iii) $m_{sg} : C_{\Delta_\bullet(S^d)}^*(A, B) \otimes C_{\Delta_\bullet(S^d)}^*(A, B) \rightarrow C_{\Delta_\bullet(S^d) \vee \Delta_\bullet(S^d)}^*(A, B) \xrightarrow{j^*} C_{\Delta_\bullet(S^d \vee S^d)}^*(A, B)$ where $j : \mathbf{k}[\Delta_\bullet(S^d \vee S^d)] \rightarrow \mathbf{k}[\Delta_\bullet(S^d) \vee \Delta_\bullet(S^d)]$ is a quasi-inverse of the inclusion map $\Delta_\bullet(S^d) \vee \Delta_\bullet(S^d) \hookrightarrow \Delta_\bullet(S^d \vee S^d)$.

Explicitly, for $\sigma : \Delta^{n \geq 1} \rightarrow S^d \vee S^d$, one defines $j(\sigma) = \sigma_1 \vee \text{cst} + \text{cst} \vee \sigma_2$ where σ_i are the respective projections on each factor and cst is the constant map to the basepoint of S^d .

4. Adams operations, Hodge decomposition and $d + 1$ -algebra structure

The edgewise subdivision functor [2] $\text{sd}_k : \Delta \rightarrow \Delta$ (where $k \geq 1$) is defined on objects by $\text{sd}_k(n - 1)_+ = (kn - 1)_+$ and if $f : (n - 1)_+ \rightarrow (m - 1)_+$ is non-decreasing, $\text{sd}_k(f)(in + j) = im + f(j)$. It is well-known [10] that for any $R \in \text{Mod} - \Gamma$ and pointed simplicial set X_\bullet , one has $|R(X_\bullet)| \cong |R(\text{sd}_k(X_\bullet))|$. There is an explicit quasi-isomorphism $\mathcal{D}_k : R(\text{sd}_k(X_\bullet)) \rightarrow R(X_\bullet)$ due to McCarthy [10] representing this equivalence. Let $\tilde{\varphi}_n^k : (kn - 1)_+ \rightarrow (n - 1)_+$ be the maps defined by $\tilde{\varphi}_n^k(in + j) = j$. By functoriality these maps yield simplicial maps $\varphi^k = R(\tilde{\varphi}^k) : R(X_\bullet) \rightarrow R(\text{sd}_k(X_\bullet))$. We denote $\psi^k = \mathcal{D}^k \circ \varphi^k$. Note that $\psi^1 = \text{id}$.

Proposition 4.1 *The maps ψ^k defined on the standard complex and the singular complex agree in cohomology and satisfy the identity $\psi^p \circ \psi^q = \psi^{pq}$ for any $p, q \geq 1$. Moreover*

i) if \mathbf{k} is of characteristic 0, then there is a splitting $HH_{S^d}^*(A, M) = \prod_{j \geq 0} HH_{S^d}^{*,(j)}(A, M)$ where the vector spaces $HH_{S^d}^{*,(j)}(A, M)$ are isomorphic to $\ker(\psi^k - k^j \cdot \text{id})$.

ii) The map ψ^k is the composition

$$HH_{S^d}^*(A, M) \xrightarrow{\text{dg}^*} HH_{S^d \vee \dots \vee S^d}^*(A, M) \xrightarrow{p^*} HH_{S^d}^*(A, M)$$

where $p : S^d \rightarrow S^d \vee \dots \vee S^d$ (k -factors) is the iterated pinch map and $\text{dg} : S^d \vee \dots \vee S^d \rightarrow S^d$ is the identity on each factor of the wedges.

In particular ii) identifies $\psi^k : C_{\Delta_\bullet(S^d)}^*(A, M) \rightarrow C_{\Delta_\bullet(S^d)}^*(A, M)$ with the map $(F^k)^*$ where F^k is the canonical map $F^k : \Delta(S^d) \rightarrow \Delta(S^d)$ of degree k (that is $\pi_d(F^k)(1) = k$).

Remark 1 The maps $\psi^k : C_{S^d}^n(A, M) \rightarrow C_{S^d}^n(A, M)$ are explicitly given by $\sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma_{n, k-i}} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \binom{n+k}{n} \sigma^*$ where $\Sigma_{n, j}$ is the subset of permutations of Σ_n with $j-1$ descents and, for $f \in C_{S^d}^n(A, M) = \text{Hom}(A^{\otimes n^d}, M)$, one has $\sigma^*(f)(\dots \otimes a_{i_1, \dots, i_d} \otimes \dots) = f(\dots \otimes a_{\sigma(i_1), \dots, \sigma(i_d)} \otimes \dots)$.

5. d -algebra structure

For $d \geq 1$, a structure of $d+1$ -algebra on a graded vector space B is the data of a graded commutative product and a degree d Lie bracket satisfying the Leibniz rule

$$[a, bc] = [a, b]c + (-1)^{(|a|-d)|b|} b[a, c].$$

In other words, a $d+1$ -algebra is an algebra over the operad $H_*(\mathcal{C}_{d+1})$ where $\mathcal{C}_n = (\mathcal{C}_n(1), \mathcal{C}_n(2), \dots)$ is the little n -cubes operad. Recall that an element $c \in \mathcal{C}_n(k)$ is a configuration of k n -dimensional cubes in I^n . Such an element c defines a map $p_c : S^n \rightarrow \bigvee_k S^n$ by collapsing to the base point the complementary of the interiors of the k cubes. Composing with the map m_{s_g} of Lemma 3.1.iii) we get a cochain map

$$\mu_c : C_{\Delta_\bullet(S^d)}^*(A, B)^{\otimes k} \xrightarrow{m_{s_g}} C_{\Delta_\bullet(\bigvee_k S^d)}^*(A, B) \xrightarrow{p_c^*} C_{\Delta_\bullet(S^d)}^*(A, B). \quad (1)$$

Let $c_0 \in \mathcal{C}_d(2)$ be given by the configuration of the two cubes $[0, 1/2]^d$ and $[1/2, 1]^d$ in I^d .

Proposition 5.1 The map (1) induces a structure of $C_*(\mathcal{C}_d)$ -algebra on the singular Hochschild complex $C_{\Delta_\bullet(S^d)}^*(A, B)$ and thus of $H_*(\mathcal{C}_d)$ -algebra on $HH_{S^d}^*(A, B)$.

Note that for $d > 1$, it implies that $HH_{S^d}^*(A, B)$ is a graded commutative algebra. Furthermore the product is given by the product $\cup_0 := \mu_{c_0}$ on the singular complex and is associative on $C_{\Delta_\bullet(S^d)}^*(A, B)$. The commutativity is induced by a \cup_1 -product which preserves the base point. Using this fact and the description of the Adams operation given in Proposition 4.1.ii) we get

Proposition 5.2 For $d > 1$, the Adams operations ψ^k acting on $HH_{S^d}^*(A, B)$ commutes with the cup-product. That is one has $\psi^k(f) \cup_0 \psi^k(g) = \psi^k(f \cup_0 g)$ for all $f, g \in HH_{S^d}^*(A, B)$.

Recall [1] that this result is false for $d = 1$.

Remark 2 It is easy to describe the product \cup_0 (as well as \cup_1 indeed) on the standard chain complex. For $f \in C_{S^d}^p(A, B)$, $g \in C_{S^d}^q(A, B)$, the product $f \cup_0 g \in C_{S^d}^{p+q}(A, B)$ is defined by

$$f \cup_0 g((a_{i_1, \dots, i_d})_{1 \leq i_1, \dots, i_d \leq p+q}) = f((a_{i_1, \dots, i_d})_{1 \leq i_1, \dots, i_d \leq p}) g((a_{i_1, \dots, i_d})_{p+1 \leq i_1, \dots, i_d \leq p+q}) \prod a_{j_1, \dots, j_d}$$

where the last product is over all indices which are not in the argument of f or g .

When $B = A$, Proposition 5.1 yields a Lie bracket of degree $d-1$ in cohomology, induced by the antisymmetrization of the \cup_{d-1} -product, where we expect a degree d Lie bracket. In fact, as in the case

$d = 1$, one can use the fact that $B = A$ to get a (non pointed) \cup_d -product. Using the notations of the end of Section 3, let $\eta : Z_\bullet \rightarrow X_\bullet \vee Y_\bullet$ be a (non based) map of simplicial sets. Let $f \in \text{Hom}(A^{\otimes \#X_n}, A)$, $g \in \text{Hom}(A^{\otimes \#Y_n}, A)$ and assume $\eta(0) = i + 1 \in X_n$. We define $\tilde{\eta}(f, g) \in \text{Hom}(A^{\otimes \#Z_n}, A)$ by the formula

$$\tilde{\eta}(f, g)(z_1, \dots, z_{\#Z_n}) = x_0 f(x_1, \dots, x_i, g(y_1, \dots, y_{\#Y_n}) \overline{x_{i+1}}, x_{i+2}, \dots, x_{\#X_n})$$

where $x_k = \prod_{l/\eta(l)=k \in X_n} z_l$, $y_k = \prod_{l/\eta(l)=k \in Y_n} z_l$, $\overline{x_{i+1}} = \prod_{0 \neq l/\eta(l)=i+1 \in X_n} z_l$. Note that if η is base point preserving, then $\tilde{\eta} = \eta^* \circ \mu$. As in Section 3 we extend the previous construction to $C_{\Delta_\bullet(S^d)}^*(A, A)$ and apply it to the map $I^d \times S^d \rightarrow S^d \vee S^d$ obtained from c_0 by moving the base point along the canonical map $I^d \rightarrow I^d/\partial I^d \cong [0, 1/2]^d$. This yields a \cup_d -product $\cup_d : S_{S^d}^p(A, A) \otimes S_{S^d}^q(A, A) \rightarrow S_{S^d}^{p+q-d}(A, A)$ giving an homotopy for the commutativity of \cup_{d-1} . Let $[f, g]_d := f \cup_d g - (-1)^{(|f|-d)(|g|-d)} g \cup_d f$.

Theorem 5.3 *The \cup_0 -product and bracket $[\ ,]_d$ give a structure of $d + 1$ -algebra to $HH_{S^d}^*(A, A)$.*

6. Free commutative algebras and Brane topology in characteristic zero

By definition of the small complex, one has $C_{S_{sm}^d}^{n < d}(A, M) = M$ and $C_{S_{sm}^d}^d(A, M) = \text{Hom}(A, M)$. Furthermore one checks that $f \in \text{Hom}(A, M) = C_{S_{sm}^d}^d(A, M)$ is a cocycle if and only if $f \in \text{Der}(A, M)$. Thanks to the commutative cup-product there is a canonical map

$$HKR : \text{Hom}_A(S^*(\Omega_A[d]), M) \rightarrow HH_{S^d}^*(A, M) \quad (2)$$

where Ω_A is the space of Kähler differentials (recall that $\text{Hom}_A(\Omega_A, M) \cong \text{Der}(A, M)$) and S^* is the graded symmetric algebra functor. Note that $\text{Hom}_A(S^*(\Omega_A[d]), A)$ is a $d + 1$ -algebra with product induced by the symmetric power and bracket given by the identification $\text{Hom}_A(\Omega_A, A) \cong \text{Der}(A, A)$ and extended to the whole space by the Leibniz rule. Moreover there are Adams operations ψ^k defined on $\text{Hom}_A(S^j(\Omega_A[d]), A)$ by the multiplication by k^j . As in the classical case, if A is free, the map HKR is an isomorphism preserving all the algebraic structures. Furthermore, all of the above makes sense for differential graded commutative algebras as well. When \mathbf{k} is of characteristic zero, any (dg) commutative algebra (A, d_A) is quasi-isomorphic to a dg free one $(F, d_F) \xrightarrow{\sim} (A, d_A)$. Proposition 5.2 implies

Theorem 6.1 *Let $d > 1$ and $\text{char}(\mathbf{k}) = 0$. The map*

$$HKR : H^*(\text{Hom}_F(S^*(\Omega_F[d]), F), d_F) \rightarrow HH_{S^d}^*(A, A)$$

is an isomorphism of $d + 1$ -algebras commuting with the Adams operations. Moreover a quasi-isomorphism $(A, d_A) \rightarrow (B, d_B)$ of dg-commutative algebras induces an isomorphism $HH_{S^d}^(A, A) \cong HH_{S^d}^*(B, B)$ of $d + 1$ -algebras and Hodge structures.*

This theorem gives an efficient way to compute the structure of higher order Hochschild homology.

Remark 3 In particular for d odd, the groups appearing in the Hodge decomposition are those in the Hodge decomposition for $d = 1$ but they are dispatched in different degrees. The same is true for d even with the groups appearing in the decomposition for $d = 2$. Note that for $d = 1$, the Hodge decomposition coincides with the classical one [5], [9].

Let X be a d -connected Poincaré duality space of dimension n . By [8], there exists a free dg-commutative algebra (\mathcal{A}_X^*, d_X) quasi-isomorphic to the minimal model of X together with a quasi-isomorphism $\mathcal{A}_X^* \rightarrow (\mathcal{A}_X^*)'[n]$ of \mathcal{A}_X^* -modules inducing the Poincaré duality in cohomology. Moreover by Theorem 6.1 and direct inspection on a minimal model of X , there is an isomorphism $HH_{S^d}^i(\mathcal{A}_X^*, (\mathcal{A}_X^*)') \cong H_i(\text{Map}(S^d, X))$.

$$HH_{S^d}^i(\mathcal{A}_X^*, \mathcal{A}_X^*) \cong HH_{S^d}^{i+d}(\mathcal{A}_X^*, (\mathcal{A}_X^*)') \cong H_{i+d}(\text{Map}(S^d, X)).$$

The last isomorphism come from Theorem 6.1 applied to a minimal model of X .

Corollary 6.2 *For any commutative model \mathcal{M}_X for X , one has $HH_{S^d}^i(\mathcal{M}_X, \mathcal{M}_X) \cong H_{i+d}(\text{Map}(S^d, X))$.*

In particular, the shifted homology of the mapping space $\text{Map}(S^d, X)$ inherits a structure of d -algebra which is graded with respect to the Hodge decomposition. Corollary 6.2 adds the Hodge decomposition to the Brane topology story studied in [4] and [6].

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