

Dualization of the Hopf algebra of secondary cohomology operations and the Adams spectral sequence

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Abstract

We describe the dualization of the algebra of secondary cohomology operations in terms of generators extending the Milnor dual of the Steenrod algebra. In this way we obtain explicit formulæ for the computation of the E_3 -term of the Adams spectral sequence converging to the stable homotopy groups of spheres.

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Introduction

Spheres are the most elementary compact spaces, but the simple question of counting essential maps between spheres turned out to be a landmark problem. In fact, progress in algebraic topology might be measured by its impact on this question. Topologists have worked on the problem of describing the homotopy

groups of spheres for around 80 years and there is still no satisfactory solution in sight. Many approaches have been developed: a distinguished one is the Adams spectral sequence

$$E_2, E_3, E_4, \dots$$

converging to the (p -primary part of) homotopy groups of spheres. Adams computed the E_2 -term and showed that

$$E_2 = \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}(\mathbb{F}, \mathbb{F})$$

is algebraically determined by the Ext-groups associated to the Steenrod algebra \mathcal{A} . Hence E_2 is an upper bound for homotopy groups of spheres and is given by an algebraic resolution of the prime field $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{F}_p$ over the algebra \mathcal{A} . The Steenrod algebra \mathcal{A} is in fact a Hopf algebra with wonderful algebraic properties. Milnor showed that the dual algebra

$$\mathcal{A}_* = \text{Hom}(\mathcal{A}, \mathbb{F})$$

is a polynomial algebra. Topologically the Steenrod algebra is the algebra of primary cohomology operations. Adams' formula for E_2 shows a fundamental connection between homotopy groups of spheres and primary cohomology operations. Much work in the literature exploits this connection. However, since E_2 is only an upper bound, one cannot expect the Steenrod algebra to be sufficient to determine homotopy groups of spheres. In fact, for this the "algebra of all higher cohomology operations" is needed. The structure of this total algebra is highly unknown; it is not even clear what kind of algebra is needed to describe the additive properties of higher cohomology operations. The structure of the Adams spectral sequence E_2, E_3, \dots shows that the total algebra can be approximated by constructing inductively primary, secondary, tertiary ... operations. In doing so one might be able to grasp the total algebra. This is the program of computing homotopy groups of spheres via higher cohomology operations. The first step beyond Adams' result is understanding the algebra of secondary cohomology operations which, surprisingly, turned out to be a differential algebra, namely a pair algebra.

In the book [3] the pair algebra \mathcal{B} of secondary cohomology operations is computed. This enriches the known algebraic structure of the Steenrod algebra considerably. The pair algebra \mathcal{B} is given by an exact sequence

$$\Sigma \mathcal{A} \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}_1 \xrightarrow{\partial} \mathcal{B}_0 \xrightarrow{q} \mathcal{A}. \tag{*}$$

Here \mathcal{B}_0 is the free associative algebra over $\mathbb{G} = \mathbb{Z}/p^2\mathbb{Z}$ generated by the Steenrod operations, which also generate \mathcal{A} , and q is the identity on generators. Moreover

there is a multiplication map

$$m : \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathcal{B}_1 \oplus \mathcal{B}_1 \otimes \mathcal{B}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_1$$

and a diagonal map

$$\Delta : \mathcal{B}_1 \rightarrow (\mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathcal{B}_1 \oplus \mathcal{B}_1 \otimes \mathcal{B}_0) / \sim$$

such that $\mathcal{B} = (\mathcal{B}, m, \Delta)$ is a “secondary Hopf algebra”, see [3], inducing the Hopf algebra structure of the Steenrod algebra \mathcal{A} . It is proven in [3] that the structure of \mathcal{B} as a secondary Hopf algebra together with the explicit invariants L and S determines \mathcal{B} up to isomorphism. The nature of secondary homotopy operations leads forcibly to this kind of new algebraic object which has wonderful properties shedding light on the structure of the Steenrod algebra \mathcal{A} as a Hopf algebra. By a striking result of Milnor, the dual \mathcal{A}_* of the Hopf algebra \mathcal{A} is a polynomial algebra with a nice diagonal which, for many purposes, is easier to deal with than the algebra \mathcal{A} itself, which is given by generators, the Steenrod squares, and Adem relations. Thus this paper also describes the dualization \mathcal{B}_* of the secondary Hopf algebra \mathcal{B} . We compute the invariants dual to L and S by explicit and easy formulæ. Therefore computations in terms of \mathcal{B} can equivalently be carried out in terms of the dual \mathcal{B}_* and often the dual formulæ are easier to handle. In this paper we use the secondary Hopf algebra \mathcal{B} and its dual \mathcal{B}_* for computing a secondary resolution which determines the differential $d_{(2)}$ on E_2 and hence E_3 .

Adams computed those special values of the differentials $d_{(2)}$ in E_2 which are related to the Hopf invariant 1 problem. In the book of Ravenel [17] one finds a list of all differentials up to degree 60 which, however, is only tentative in degrees ≥ 46 . Corrections of published differentials in low degrees were made by Bruner [10]. An explicit method for computing the differential $d_{(2)}$ in general, however, has not been achieved in the literature. But it is done in the present paper. Our result is thus showing the global computable nature of the E_3 -term of the Adams spectral sequence. According to Ravenel’s observer, “who looks to the far distant homotopy groups of spheres through a telescope,” such a global result on E_3 seemed impossible for a long time.

We show that the differential $d_{(2)}$ and the E_3 -term can be completely computed by the formula

$$E_3 = \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathbb{G}^{\Sigma}, \mathbb{G}^{\Sigma})$$

where the secondary Ext-groups $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{B}}$ are given by an algebraic secondary resolution associated to the pair algebra \mathcal{B} . The computation of E_3 yields a new algebraic upper bound on homotopy groups of spheres improving the Adams bound given by E_2 .

In order to do explicit computations of the new bound E_3 one has to carry out two tasks. On the one hand one has to describe the algebraic structure of the secondary Hopf algebra \mathcal{B} explicitly by equations which a computer can deal with in an easy way. On the other hand one has to choose a secondary resolution associated to \mathcal{B} , by solving inductively a system of explicit equations determined by \mathcal{B} .

In the first part (chapters 1, 2, 3) of this paper we describe the algebra which yields the secondary resolution associated to \mathcal{B} and which determines the differential $d_{(2)}$ on E_2 by the resolution. In the second part (chapters 4, 5, 6, 7, 8) we study the algebraic properties of \mathcal{B} and of the dualization of \mathcal{B} . In particular we show that the results of Milnor on the dual Steenrod algebra \mathcal{A}_* have secondary analogues. For the dualization of \mathcal{B} we proceed as follows. The projection $q : \mathcal{B}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ in (*) above admits a factorization

$$q : \mathcal{B}_0 \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{F}_0 \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{A}$$

where $\mathcal{F}_0 = \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathbb{F}$ is the free associative algebra over $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ generated by the Steenrod operations. Now let

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\mathcal{B}} &= \text{kernel}(\mathcal{B}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}) \\ R_{\mathcal{F}} &= \text{kernel}(\mathcal{F}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}). \end{aligned}$$

Then one has an exact sequence of \mathbb{F} -vector spaces

$$\mathcal{A} \twoheadrightarrow R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathbb{F} \twoheadrightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}}$$

which can be dualized by applying the functor $\text{Hom}(-, \mathbb{F})$. Moreover the exact sequence of \mathbb{F} -vector spaces

$$\Sigma \mathcal{A} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{B}_1 \otimes \mathbb{F} \twoheadrightarrow R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathbb{F}$$

can be dualized by $\text{Hom}(-, \mathbb{F})$. The main results of this work describe in detail the multiplication in \mathcal{B} and the diagonal in \mathcal{B} on the level of $\mathcal{B}_1 \otimes \mathbb{F}$ and on the dual $\text{Hom}(\mathcal{B}_1, \mathbb{F})$. In this way we obtain explicit formulæ describing the algebraic structure of \mathcal{B} and of the dual of \mathcal{B} . Of course the dual of \mathcal{B} determines \mathcal{B} and vice versa.

We use these formulæ for computer calculations of the secondary resolution associated to \mathcal{B} and we derive in this way the differentials $d_{(2)}$ on E_2 . In section 3.2 we do such computations up to degree 40 in order to confirm the algebraic equations achieved in the book [3]. The goal is to compute E_3 up to degree 210 as this was done for E_2 by Nassau [16]. A more effective computer implementation of E_3 ,

which is left to the interested reader, relies on the computation of the dual of \mathcal{B} , see the formulæ in section 8.3 below. The functions needed for the implementation are described in the paper by tables of values in low degrees. These tables should be helpful to control the implementation.

1. Secondary Ext-groups associated to pair algebras

In this chapter we introduce algebraically secondary Ext-groups Ext_B over a pair algebra B . In [4] we already studied secondary Ext-groups in an additive track category which yield the Ext-groups Ext_B as a special case if one considers the track category of B -modules. In chapter 3 we shall see that the E_3 -term of the Adams spectral sequence is given by secondary Ext-groups over the pair algebra \mathcal{B} of secondary cohomology operations.

1.1. Modules over pair algebras

We here recall from [3] the notion of pair modules, pair algebras, and pair modules over a pair algebra B . The category $B\text{-Mod}$ of pair modules over B is an additive track category in which we consider secondary resolutions as defined in [4]. Using such secondary resolutions we shall obtain the secondary derived functors Ext_B in section 1.3.

Let k be a commutative ring with unit and let \mathbf{Mod} be the category of k -modules and k -linear maps. This is a symmetric monoidal category via the tensor product $A \otimes B$ over k of k -modules A, B . A *pair* of modules is a morphism

$$X = \left(X_1 \xrightarrow{\partial} X_0 \right) \tag{1.1.1}$$

in \mathbf{Mod} . We write $\pi_0(X) = \text{coker } \partial$ and $\pi_1(X) = \text{ker } \partial$. A *morphism* $f : X \rightarrow Y$ of pairs is a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_1 & \xrightarrow{f_1} & Y_1 \\ \partial \downarrow & & \downarrow \partial \\ X_0 & \xrightarrow{f_0} & Y_0. \end{array}$$

Evidently pairs with these morphisms form a category $\mathcal{P}air(\mathbf{Mod})$ and one has functors

$$\pi_1, \pi_0 : \mathcal{P}air(\mathbf{Mod}) \rightarrow \mathbf{Mod}.$$

A pair morphism is called a *weak equivalence* if it induces isomorphisms on π_0 and π_1 .

Clearly a pair in **Mod** coincides with a chain complex concentrated in degrees 0 and 1. For two pairs X and Y the tensor product of the complexes corresponding to them is concentrated in degrees in 0, 1 and 2 and is given by

$$X_1 \otimes Y_1 \xrightarrow{\partial_1} X_1 \otimes Y_0 \oplus X_0 \otimes Y_1 \xrightarrow{\partial_0} X_0 \otimes Y_0$$

with $\partial_0 = (\partial \otimes 1, 1 \otimes \partial)$ and $\partial_1 = (-1 \otimes \partial, \partial \otimes 1)$. Truncating $X \otimes Y$ we get the pair

$$X \bar{\otimes} Y = \left((X \bar{\otimes} Y)_1 = \text{coker}(\partial_1) \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} X_0 \otimes Y_0 = (X \bar{\otimes} Y)_0 \right)$$

with $\bar{\partial}$ induced by ∂_0 .

Remark 1.1.2 Note that the full embedding of the category of pairs into the category of chain complexes induced by the above identification has a left adjoint Tr given by truncation: for a chain complex

$$C = \left(\dots \rightarrow C_2 \xrightarrow{\partial_1} C_1 \xrightarrow{\partial_0} C_0 \xrightarrow{\partial_{-1}} C_{-1} \rightarrow \dots \right),$$

one has

$$\text{Tr}(C) = \left(\text{coker}(\partial_1) \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}_0} C_0 \right),$$

with $\bar{\partial}_0$ induced by ∂_0 . Then clearly one has

$$X \bar{\otimes} Y = \text{Tr}(X \otimes Y).$$

Using the fact that Tr is a reflection onto a full subcategory, one easily checks that the category $\mathcal{P}\text{air}(\mathbf{Mod})$ together with the tensor product $\bar{\otimes}$ and unit $k = (0 \rightarrow k)$ is a symmetric monoidal category, and Tr is a monoidal functor.

We define the tensor product $A \otimes B$ of two graded modules in the usual way, i. e. by

$$(A \otimes B)^n = \bigoplus_{i+j=n} A^i \otimes B^j.$$

A pair module is a graded object of $\mathcal{P}\text{air}(\mathbf{Mod})$, i. e. a sequence $X^n = (\partial : X_1^n \rightarrow X_0^n)$ of pairs in **Mod**. We identify such a pair module X with the underlying morphism ∂ of degree 0 between graded modules

$$X = \left(X_1 \xrightarrow{\partial} X_0 \right).$$

Now the tensor product $X \bar{\otimes} Y$ of graded pair modules X, Y is defined by

$$(X \bar{\otimes} Y)^n = \bigoplus_{i+j=n} X^i \bar{\otimes} Y^j. \tag{1.1.3}$$

This defines a monoidal structure on the category of graded pair modules. Morphisms in this category are of degree 0.

For two morphisms $f, g : X \rightarrow Y$ between graded pair modules, a *homotopy* $H : f \Rightarrow g$ is a morphism $H : X_0 \rightarrow Y_1$ of degree 0 as in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_1 & \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{f_1} \\ \xrightarrow{g_1} \end{array} & Y_1 \\ \partial \downarrow & \nearrow H & \downarrow \partial \\ X_0 & \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{f_0} \\ \xrightarrow{g_0} \end{array} & Y_0, \end{array} \tag{1.1.4}$$

satisfying $f_0 - g_0 = \partial H$ and $f_1 - g_1 = H \partial$.

A *pair algebra* B is a monoid in the monoidal category of graded pair modules, with multiplication

$$\mu : B \bar{\otimes} B \rightarrow B.$$

We assume that B is concentrated in nonnegative degrees, that is $B^n = 0$ for $n < 0$.

A *left B-module* is a graded pair module M together with a left action

$$\mu : B \bar{\otimes} M \rightarrow M$$

of the monoid B on M .

More explicitly pair algebras and modules over them can be described as follows.

Definition 1.1.5 A *pair algebra* B is a graded pair

$$\partial : B_1 \rightarrow B_0$$

in **Mod** with $B_1^n = B_0^n = 0$ for $n < 0$ such that B_0 is a graded algebra in **Mod**, B_1 is a graded B_0 - B_0 -bimodule, and ∂ is a bimodule homomorphism. Moreover for $x, y \in B_1$ the equality

$$\partial(x)y = x\partial(y)$$

holds in B_1 .

It is easy to see that there results an exact sequence of graded B_0 - B_0 -bimodules

$$0 \rightarrow \pi_1 B \rightarrow B_1 \xrightarrow{\partial} B_0 \rightarrow \pi_0 B \rightarrow 0$$

where in fact $\pi_0 B$ is a k -algebra, $\pi_1 B$ is a $\pi_0 B$ - $\pi_0 B$ -bimodule, and $B_0 \rightarrow \pi_0(B)$ is a homomorphism of algebras.

Definition 1.1.6 A (left) module over a pair algebra B is a graded pair $M = (\partial : M_1 \rightarrow M_0)$ in **Mod** such that M_1 and M_0 are left B_0 -modules and ∂ is B_0 -linear. Moreover, a B_0 -linear map

$$\bar{\mu} : B_1 \otimes_{B_0} M_0 \rightarrow M_1$$

is given fitting in the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B_1 \otimes_{B_0} M_1 & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes \partial} & B_1 \otimes_{B_0} M_0 \\ \mu \downarrow & \swarrow \bar{\mu} & \downarrow \mu \\ M_1 & \xrightarrow{\partial} & M_0 \end{array}$$

where $\mu(b \otimes m) = \partial(b)m$ for $b \in B_1$ and $m \in M_1 \cup M_0$.

For an indeterminate element x of degree $n = |x|$ let $B[x]$ denote the B -module with $B[x]_i$ consisting of expressions bx with $b \in B_i$, $i = 0, 1$, with bx having degree $|b| + n$, and structure maps given by $\partial(bx) = \partial(b)x$, $\mu(b' \otimes bx) = (b'b)x$ and $\bar{\mu}(b' \otimes bx) = (b'b)x$.

A free B -module is a direct sum of several copies of modules of the form $B[x]$, with $x \in I$ for some set I of indeterminates of possibly different degrees. It will be denoted

$$B[I] = \bigoplus_{x \in I} B[x].$$

For a left B -module M one has the exact sequence of B_0 -modules

$$0 \rightarrow \pi_1 M \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow M_0 \rightarrow \pi_0 M \rightarrow 0$$

where $\pi_0 M$ and $\pi_1 M$ are actually $\pi_0 B$ -modules.

Let $B\text{-Mod}$ be the category of left modules over the pair algebra B . Morphisms $f = (f_0, f_1) : M \rightarrow N$ are pair morphisms which are B -equivariant, that is, f_0 and f_1 are B_0 -equivariant and compatible with $\bar{\mu}$ above, i. e. the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B_1 \otimes_{B_0} M_0 & \xrightarrow{\bar{\mu}} & M_1 \\ 1 \otimes f_0 \downarrow & & \downarrow f_1 \\ B_1 \otimes_{B_0} N_0 & \xrightarrow{\bar{\mu}} & N_1 \end{array}$$

commutes.

For two such maps $f, g : M \rightarrow N$ a track $H : f \Rightarrow g$ is a degree zero map

$$H : M_0 \rightarrow N_1 \tag{1.1.7}$$

satisfying $f_0 - g_0 = \partial H$ and $f_1 - g_1 = H \partial$ such that H is B_0 -equivariant. For tracks $H : f \Rightarrow g$, $K : g \Rightarrow h$ their composition $K \square H : f \Rightarrow h$ is $K + H$.

Proposition 1.1.8 *For a pair algebra B , the category $B\text{-Mod}$ with the above track structure is a well-defined additive track category.*

Proof: For a morphism $f = (f_0, f_1) : M \rightarrow N$ between B -modules, one has

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Aut}(f) &= \{H \in \text{Hom}_{B_0}(M_0, N_1) \mid \partial H = f_0 - f_0, H\partial = f_1 - f_1\} \\ &\cong \text{Hom}_{\pi_0 B}(\pi_0 M, \pi_1 N). \end{aligned}$$

Since this group is abelian, by [6] we know that $B\text{-Mod}$ is a linear track extension of its homotopy category by the bifunctor D with $D(M, N) = \text{Hom}_{\pi_0 B}(\pi_0 M, \pi_1 N)$. It thus remains to show that the homotopy category is additive and the bifunctor D is biadditive.

By definition the set of morphisms $[M, N]$ between objects M, N in the homotopy category is given by the exact sequence of abelian groups

$$\text{Hom}_{B_0}(M_0, N_1) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_B(M, N) \twoheadrightarrow [M, N].$$

This makes evident the abelian group structure on the hom-sets $[M, N]$. Bilinearity of composition follows from consideration of the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Hom}_{B_0}(M_0, N_1) \otimes \text{Hom}_B(N, P) \oplus \text{Hom}_B(M, N) \otimes \text{Hom}_{B_0}(N_0, P_1) & \xrightarrow{\mu} & \text{Hom}_{B_0}(M_0, P_1) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \text{Hom}_B(M, N) \otimes \text{Hom}_B(N, P) & \xrightarrow{\quad\quad\quad} & \text{Hom}_B(M, P) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ [M, N] \otimes [N, P] & \dashrightarrow & [M, P] \end{array}$$

with exact columns, where $\mu(H \otimes g + f \otimes K) = g_1 H + K f_0$. It also shows that the functor $B\text{-Mod} \rightarrow B\text{-Mod}_{\simeq}$ is linear. Since this functor is the identity on objects, it follows that the homotopy category is additive.

Now note that both functors π_0, π_1 factor to define functors on $B\text{-Mod}_{\simeq}$. Since these functors are evidently additive, it follows that $D = \text{Hom}_{\pi_0 B}(\pi_0, \pi_1)$ is a biadditive bifunctor. □

Lemma 1.1.9 *If M is a free B -module, then the canonical map*

$$[M, N] \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\pi_0 B}(\pi_0 M, \pi_0 N)$$

is an isomorphism for any B -module N .

Proof: Let $(g_i)_{i \in I}$ be a free generating set for M . Given a $\pi_0(B)$ -equivariant homomorphism $f : \pi_0 M \rightarrow \pi_0 N$, define its lifting \tilde{f} to M by specifying $\tilde{f}(g_i) = n_i$, with n_i chosen arbitrarily from the class $f([g_i]) = [n_i]$.

To show monomorphicity, given $f : M \rightarrow N$ such that $\pi_0 f = 0$, this means that $\text{im } f_0 \subset \text{im } \partial$, so we can choose $H(g_i) \in N_1$ in such a way that $\partial H(g_i) = f_0(g_i)$. This then extends uniquely to a B_0 -module homomorphism $H : M_0 \rightarrow N_1$ with $\partial H = f_0$; moreover any element of M_1 is a linear combination of elements of the form $b_1 g_i$ with $b_1 \in B_1$, and for these one has $H \partial(b_1 g_i) = H(\partial(b_1) g_i) = \partial(b_1) H(g_i)$. But $f_1(b_1 g_i) = b_1 f_0(g_i) = b_1 \partial H(g_i) = \partial(b_1) H(g_i)$ too, so $H \partial = f_1$. This shows that f is nullhomotopic. \square

1.2. Σ -structure

Definition 1.2.1 The *suspension* ΣX of a graded object $X = (X^n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is given by degree shift, $(\Sigma X)^n = X^{n-1}$.

Let $\Sigma : X \rightarrow \Sigma X$ be the map of degree 1 given by the identity. If X is a left A -module over the graded algebra A then ΣX is a left A -module via

$$a \cdot \Sigma x = (-1)^{|a|} \Sigma(a \cdot x) \tag{1.2.2}$$

for $a \in A, x \in X$. On the other hand if ΣX is a right A -module then $(\Sigma x) \cdot a = \Sigma(x \cdot a)$ yields the right A -module structure on ΣX .

Definition 1.2.3 A Σ -module is a graded pair module $X = (\partial : X_1 \rightarrow X_0)$ equipped with an isomorphism

$$\sigma : \pi_1 X \cong \Sigma \pi_0 X$$

of graded k -modules. We then call σ a Σ -structure of X . A Σ -map between Σ -modules is a map f between pair modules such that $\sigma(\pi_1 f) = \Sigma(\pi_0 f)\sigma$. If X is a pair algebra then a Σ -structure is an isomorphism of $\pi_0 X$ - $\pi_0 X$ -bimodules. If X is a left module over a pair algebra B then a Σ -structure of X is an isomorphism σ of left $\pi_0 B$ -modules. Let

$$(B\text{-Mod})^\Sigma \subset B\text{-Mod}$$

be the track category of B -modules with Σ -structure and Σ -maps.

Lemma 1.2.4 *Suspension of a B -module M has by (1.2.2) the structure of a B -module and ΣM has a Σ -structure if M has one.*

Proof: Given $\sigma : \pi_1 M \cong \Sigma \pi_0 M$ one defines a Σ -structure on ΣM via

$$\pi_1 \Sigma M = \Sigma \pi_1 M \xrightarrow{\Sigma \sigma} \Sigma \Sigma \pi_0 M = \Sigma \pi_0 \Sigma M.$$

\square

Hence we get suspension functors between track categories

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 B\text{-Mod} & \xrightarrow{\Sigma} & B\text{-Mod} \\
 \uparrow & & \uparrow \\
 (B\text{-Mod})^\Sigma & \xrightarrow{\Sigma} & (B\text{-Mod})^\Sigma.
 \end{array}$$

Lemma 1.2.5 *The track category $(B\text{-Mod})^\Sigma$ is \mathbb{L} -additive in the sense of [4], with $\mathbb{L} = \Sigma^{-1}$, as well as \mathbb{R} -additive, with $\mathbb{R} = \Sigma$.*

Proof: The statement of the lemma means that the bifunctor

$$D(M, N) = \text{Aut}(0_{M,N})$$

is either left- or right-representable, i. e. there is an endofunctor \mathbb{L} , respectively \mathbb{R} of $(B\text{-Mod})^\Sigma$ and a binatural isomorphism $D(M, N) \cong [\mathbb{L}M, N]$, resp. $D(M, N) \cong [M, \mathbb{R}N]$.

Now by (1.1.7), a track in $\text{Aut}(0_{M,N})$ is a B_0 -module homomorphism $H : M_0 \rightarrow N_1$ with $\partial H = H \partial = 0$; hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 D(M, N) &\cong \text{Hom}_{\pi_0 B}(\pi_0 M, \pi_1 N) \cong \text{Hom}_{\pi_0 B}(\pi_0 \Sigma^{-1} M, \pi_0 N) \\
 &\cong \text{Hom}_{\pi_0 B}(\pi_0 M, \pi_0 \Sigma N).
 \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 1.2.6 *If B is a pair algebra with Σ -structure then each free B -module has a Σ -structure.*

Proof: This is clear from the description of free modules in 1.1.6. □

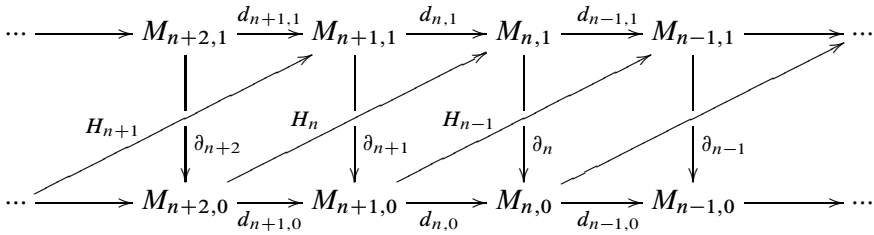
1.3. The secondary differential over pair algebras

For a pair algebra B with a Σ -structure, for a Σ -module M over B , and a module N over B we now define the *secondary differential*

$$d_{(2)} : \text{Ext}_{\pi_0 B}^n(\pi_0 M, \pi_0 N) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\pi_0 B}^{n+2}(\pi_0 M, \pi_1 N).$$

Here $d_{(2)} = d_{(2)}(M, N)$ depends on the B -modules M and N and is natural in M and N with respect to maps in $(B\text{-Mod})^\Sigma$. For the definition of $d_{(2)}$ we consider secondary chain complexes and secondary resolutions. In [4] such a construction was performed in the generality of an arbitrary \mathbb{L} -additive track category. We will first present the construction of $d_{(2)}$ for the track category of pair modules and then will indicate how this construction is a particular case of the more general situation discussed in [4].

Definition 1.3.1 For a pair algebra B , a secondary chain complex M_\bullet in $B\text{-Mod}$ is given by a diagram to be



where each $M_n = (\partial_n : M_{n,1} \rightarrow M_{n,0})$ is a B -module, each $d_n = (d_{n,0}, d_{n,1})$ is a morphism in $B\text{-Mod}$, each H_n is B_0 -linear and moreover the identities

$$\begin{aligned}
 d_{n,0}d_{n+1,0} &= \partial_n H_n \\
 d_{n,1}d_{n+1,1} &= H_n \partial_{n+2}
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$H_n d_{n+2,0} = d_{n,1} H_{n+1}$$

hold for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. We thus see that in this case a secondary complex is the same as a graded version of a *multicomplex* (see e. g. [14]) with only two nonzero rows.

One then defines the *total complex* $\text{Tot}(M_\bullet)$ to be

$$\dots \leftarrow M_{n-1,0} \oplus M_{n-2,1} \xleftarrow{\begin{pmatrix} d_{n-1,0} & -\partial_{n-1} \\ H_{n-2} & -d_{n-2,1} \end{pmatrix}} M_{n,0} \oplus M_{n-1,1} \xleftarrow{\begin{pmatrix} d_{n,0} & -\partial_n \\ H_{n-1} & -d_{n-1,1} \end{pmatrix}} M_{n+1,0} \oplus M_{n,1} \leftarrow \dots$$

Cycles and boundaries in this complex will be called secondary cycles, resp. secondary boundaries of M_\bullet . Thus a secondary n -cycle in M_\bullet is a pair (c, γ) with $c \in M_{n,0}$, $\gamma \in M_{n-1,1}$ such that $d_{n-1,0}c = \partial_{n-1}\gamma$, $H_{n-2}c = d_{n-2,1}\gamma$ and such a cycle is a boundary iff there exist $b \in M_{n+1,0}$ and $\beta \in M_{n,1}$ with $c = d_{n,0}b + \partial_n\beta$ and $\gamma = H_{n-1}b + d_{n-1,1}\beta$. A secondary complex M_\bullet is called *exact* if its total complex is exact, that is, if secondary cycles are secondary boundaries.

Let us now consider a secondary chain complex M_\bullet in $B\text{-Mod}$. It is clear then that

$$\pi_0 M_\bullet : \quad \dots \rightarrow \pi_0 M_{n+2} \xrightarrow{\pi_0 d_{n+1}} \pi_0 M_{n+1} \xrightarrow{\pi_0 d_n} \pi_0 M_n \xrightarrow{\pi_0 d_{n-1}} \pi_0 M_{n-1} \rightarrow \dots$$

is a chain complex of $\pi_0 B$ -modules. The next result corresponds to [4, lemma 3.5].

Proposition 1.3.2 *Let M_\bullet be a secondary complex consisting of Σ -modules and Σ -maps between them. If $\pi_0(M_\bullet)$ is an exact complex then M_\bullet is an exact secondary complex. Conversely, if $\pi_0 M_\bullet$ is bounded below then secondary exactness of M_\bullet implies exactness of $\pi_0 M_\bullet$.*

Proof: The proof consists in translating the argument from the analogous general statement in [4] to our setting. Suppose first that $\pi_0 M_\bullet$ is an exact complex, and consider a secondary cycle $(c, \gamma) \in M_{n,0} \oplus M_{n-1,1}$, i. e. one has $d_{n-1,0}c = \partial_{n-1}\gamma$ and $H_{n-2}c = d_{n-2,1}\gamma$. Then in particular $[c] \in \pi_0 M_n$ is a cycle, so there exists $[b] \in \pi_0 M_{n+1}$ with $[c] = \pi_0(d_n)[b]$. Take $b \in [b]$, then $c - d_{n,0}b = \partial_n \beta$ for some $\beta \in M_{n+1,1}$. Consider $\delta = \gamma - H_{n-1}b - d_{n-1,1}\beta$. One has $\partial_{n-1}\delta = \partial_{n-1}\gamma - \partial_{n-1}H_{n-1}b - \partial_{n-1}d_{n-1,1}\beta = d_{n-1,0}c - d_{n-1,0}d_{n,0}b - d_{n-1,0}\partial_n \beta = 0$, so that δ is an element of $\pi_1 M_n$. Moreover $d_{n-2,1}\delta = d_{n-2,1}\gamma - d_{n-2,1}H_{n-1}b - d_{n-2,1}d_{n-1,1}\beta = H_{n-2}c - H_{n-2}d_{n,0}b - H_{n-2}\partial_n \beta = 0$, i. e. δ is a cycle in $\pi_1 M_\bullet$. Since by assumption $\pi_0 M_\bullet$ is exact, taking into account the Σ -structure $\pi_1 M_\bullet$ is exact too, so that there exists $\psi \in \pi_1 M_n$ with $\delta = d_{n-1,1}\psi$. Define $\tilde{\beta} = \beta + \psi$. Then $d_{n,0}b + \partial_n \tilde{\beta} = d_{n,0}b + \partial_n \beta = c$ since $\psi \in \ker \partial_n$. Moreover $d_{n-1,1}\tilde{\beta} = d_{n-1,1}\beta + d_{n-1,1}\psi = d_{n-1,1}\beta + \delta = \gamma - H_{n-1}b$, which means that (c, γ) is the boundary of $(b, \tilde{\beta})$. Thus M_\bullet is an exact secondary complex.

Conversely suppose M_\bullet is exact, and $\pi_0 M_\bullet$ bounded below. Given a cycle $[c] \in \pi_0(M_n)$, represent it by a $c \in M_{n,0}$. Then $\pi_0 d_{n-1}[c] = 0$ implies $d_{n-1,0}c \in \text{im } \partial_{n-1}$, so there is a $\gamma \in M_{n-1,1}$ such that $d_{n-1,0}c = \partial_{n-1}\gamma$. Consider $\omega = d_{n-2,1}\gamma - H_{n-2}c$. One has $\partial_{n-2}\omega = \partial_{n-2}d_{n-2,1}\gamma - \partial_{n-2}H_{n-2}c = d_{n-2,0}\partial_{n-1}\gamma - d_{n-2,0}d_{n-1,0}c = 0$, i. e. ω is an element of $\pi_1 M_{n-2}$. Moreover $d_{n-3,1}\omega = d_{n-3,1}d_{n-2,1}\gamma - d_{n-3,1}H_{n-2}c = H_{n-3}\partial_{n-1}\gamma - H_{n-3}d_{n,0}c = 0$, so ω is a $n - 2$ -dimensional cycle in $\pi_1 M_\bullet$. Using the Σ -structure, this then gives a $n - 3$ -dimensional cycle in $\pi_0 M_\bullet$. Now since $\pi_0 M_\bullet$ is bounded below, we might assume by induction that it is exact in dimension $n - 3$, so that ω is a boundary. That is, there exists $\alpha \in \pi_1 M_{n-1}$ with $d_{n-2,1}\alpha = \omega$. Define $\tilde{\gamma} = \gamma - \alpha$; then one has $d_{n-2,1}\tilde{\gamma} = d_{n-2,1}\gamma - d_{n-2,1}\alpha = d_{n-2,1}\gamma - \omega = H_{n-2}c$. Moreover $\partial_{n-1}\tilde{\gamma} = \partial_{n-1}\gamma = d_{n-1,0}c$ since $\alpha \in \ker(\partial)n - 1$. Thus $(c, \tilde{\gamma})$ is a secondary cycle, and by secondary exactness of M_\bullet there exists a pair (b, β) with $c = d_{n,0}b + \partial_n \beta$. Then $[c] = \pi_0(d_n)[b]$, i. e. c is a boundary. \square

Definition 1.3.3 Let B be a pair algebra with Σ -structure. A *secondary resolution* of a Σ -module $M = (\partial : M_1 \rightarrow M_0)$ over B is an exact secondary complex F_\bullet in $(B\text{-Mod})^\Sigma$ of the form

$$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccc}
 \cdots & \longrightarrow & F_{31} & \xrightarrow{d_{21}} & F_{21} & \xrightarrow{d_{11}} & F_{11} & \xrightarrow{d_{01}} & F_{01} & \xrightarrow{\epsilon_1} & M_1 & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & \cdots \\
 \cdots & & \searrow & & \searrow & & \searrow & & \searrow & & \searrow & & \searrow & & \searrow & & \cdots \\
 \cdots & & H_2 & & H_1 & & H_0 & & \hat{\epsilon} & & \partial & & \partial & & \partial & & \cdots \\
 \cdots & \longrightarrow & F_{30} & \xrightarrow{d_{20}} & F_{20} & \xrightarrow{d_{10}} & F_{10} & \xrightarrow{d_{00}} & F_{00} & \xrightarrow{\epsilon_0} & M_0 & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & \cdots
 \end{array}$$

where each $F_n = (\partial_n : F_{n1} \rightarrow F_{n0})$ is a free B -module.

It follows from 1.3.2 that for any secondary resolution F_\bullet of a B -module M

with Σ -structure, $\pi_0 F_\bullet$ will be a free resolution of the $\pi_0 B$ -module $\pi_0 M$, so that in particular one has

$$\text{Ext}_{\pi_0 B}^n(\pi_0 M, U) \cong H^n \text{Hom}(\pi_0 F_\bullet, U)$$

for all n and any $\pi_0 B$ -module U .

Definition 1.3.4 Given a pair algebra B with Σ -structure, a Σ -module M over B , a module N over B and a secondary resolution F_\bullet of M , we define the *secondary differential*

$$d_{(2)} : \text{Ext}_{\pi_0 B}^n(\pi_0 M, \pi_0 N) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\pi_0 B}^{n+2}(\pi_0 M, \pi_1 N)$$

in the following way. Suppose given a class $[c] \in \text{Ext}_{\pi_0 B}^n(\pi_0 M, \pi_0 N)$. First represent it by some element in $\text{Hom}_{\pi_0 B}(\pi_0 F_n, \pi_0 N)$ which is a cocycle, i. e. its composite with $\pi_0(d_n)$ is 0. By 1.1.9 we know that the natural maps

$$[F_n, N] \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\pi_0 B}(\pi_0 F, \pi_0 N)$$

are isomorphisms, hence to any such element corresponds a homotopy class in $[F_n, N]$ which is also a cocycle, i. e. value of $[d_n, N]$ on it is zero. Take a representative map $c : F_n \rightarrow N$ from this homotopy class. Then cd_n is nullhomotopic, so we can find a B_0 -equivariant map $H : F_{n+1,0} \rightarrow N_1$ such that in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 F_{n+2,1} & \xrightarrow{d_{n+1,1}} & F_{n+1,1} & \xrightarrow{d_{n,1}} & F_{n,1} & \xrightarrow{c_1} & N_1 \\
 \downarrow \partial_{n+2} & & \downarrow \partial_{n+1} & & \downarrow \partial_n & & \downarrow \partial \\
 & \nearrow H_n & & \nearrow H & & & \\
 F_{n+2,0} & \xrightarrow{d_{n+1,0}} & F_{n+1,0} & \xrightarrow{d_{n,0}} & F_{n,0} & \xrightarrow{c_0} & N_0
 \end{array}$$

one has $c_0 d_{n,0} = \partial H$, $c_1 d_{n,1} = H \partial_{n+1}$ and $\partial c_1 = c_0 \partial_n$. Then taking $\Gamma = c_1 H_n - H d_{n+1,0}$ one has $\partial \Gamma = 0$, $\Gamma \partial_{n+2} = 0$, so Γ determines a map $\bar{\Gamma} : \text{coker } \partial_{n+2} \rightarrow \text{ker } \partial$, i. e. from $\pi_0 F_{n+2}$ to $\pi_1 N$. Moreover $\bar{\Gamma} \pi_0(d_{n+2}) = 0$, so it is a cocycle in $\text{Hom}(\pi_0(F_\bullet), \pi_1 N)$ and we define

$$d_{(2)}[c] = [\bar{\Gamma}] \in \text{Ext}_{\pi_0 B}^{n+2}(\pi_0 M, \pi_1 N).$$

Definition 1.3.5 Let M and N be B -modules with Σ -structure. Then also all the B -modules $\Sigma^k M$, $\Sigma^k N$ have Σ -structures and we get by 1.3.4 the secondary

differential

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Ext}_{\pi_0 B}^n(\pi_0 M, \pi_0 \Sigma^k N) & \xrightarrow{d_{(2)}(M, \Sigma^k N)} & \text{Ext}_{\pi_0 B}^{n+2}(\pi_0 M, \pi_1 \Sigma^k N) \\ \parallel & & \parallel \\ \text{Ext}_{\pi_0 B}^n(\pi_0 M, \Sigma^k \pi_0 N) & \xrightarrow{d} & \text{Ext}_{\pi_0 B}^{n+2}(\pi_0 M, \Sigma^{k+1} \pi_0 N). \end{array}$$

In case the composite

$$\text{Ext}_{\pi_0 B}^{n-2}(\pi_0 M, \Sigma^{k-1} \pi_0 N) \xrightarrow{d} \text{Ext}_{\pi_0 B}^n(\pi_0 M, \Sigma^k \pi_0 N) \xrightarrow{d} \text{Ext}_{\pi_0 B}^{n+2}(\pi_0 M, \Sigma^{k+1} \pi_0 N)$$

vanishes we define the *secondary Ext-groups* to be the quotient groups

$$\text{Ext}_B^n(M, N)^k := \ker d / \text{im} d.$$

Theorem 1.3.6 *For a Σ -algebra B , a B -module M with Σ -structure and any B -module N , the secondary differential $d_{(2)}$ in 1.3.4 coincides with the secondary differential*

$$d_{(2)} : \text{Ext}_a^n(M, N) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_a^{n+2}(M, N)$$

from [4, Section 4] as constructed for the \mathbb{L} -additive track category $(B\text{-Mod})^\Sigma$ in 1.2.5, relative to the subcategory \mathbf{b} of free B -modules with $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b}_{\simeq}$.

Proof: We begin by recalling the appropriate notions from [4]. There secondary chain complexes $A_\bullet = (A_n, d_n, \delta_n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$ are defined in an arbitrary additive track category \mathbf{B} . They consist of objects A_n , morphisms $d_n : A_{n+1} \rightarrow A_n$ and tracks $\delta_n : d_n d_{n+1} \Rightarrow 0_{A_{n+2}, A_n}$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, such that the equality of tracks

$$\delta_n d_{n+2} = d_n \delta_{n+1}$$

holds for all n . For an object X , an X -valued n -cycle in a secondary chain complex A_\bullet is defined to be a pair (c, γ) consisting of a morphism $c : X \rightarrow A_n$ and a track $\gamma : d_{n-1} c \Rightarrow 0_{X, A_{n-1}}$ such that the equality of tracks

$$\delta_{n-2} c = d_{n-2} \gamma$$

is satisfied. Such a cycle is called a *boundary* if there exists a map $b : X \rightarrow A_{n+1}$ and a track $\beta : c \Rightarrow d_n b$ such that the equality

$$\gamma = \delta_{n-1} b \square d_{n-1} \beta$$

holds. Here the right hand side is given by track addition. A secondary chain complex is called X -exact if every X -valued cycle in it is a boundary. Similarly

it is called **b**-exact, if it is X -exact for every object X in **b**, where **b** is a track subcategory of **B**. A secondary **b**-resolution of an object A is a **b**-exact secondary chain complex A_\bullet with $A_n = 0$ for $n < -1$, $A_{-1} = A$, $A_n \in \mathbf{b}$ for $n \neq -1$; the last differentials will be then denoted $d_{-1} = \epsilon : A_0 \rightarrow A$, $\delta_{-1} = \hat{\epsilon} : \epsilon d_0 \rightarrow 0_{A_1, A}$ and the pair $(\epsilon, \hat{\epsilon})$ will be called the *augmentation* of the resolution. It is clear that any secondary chain complex $(A_\bullet, d_\bullet, \delta_\bullet)$ in **B** gives rise to a chain complex $(A_\bullet, [d_\bullet])$, in the ordinary sense, in the homotopy category \mathbf{B}_{\simeq} of **B**. Moreover if **B** is Σ -additive, i. e. there exists a functor Σ and isomorphisms $\text{Aut}(0_{X, Y}) \cong [\Sigma X, Y]$, natural in X, Y , then **b**-exactness of $(A_\bullet, d_\bullet, \delta_\bullet)$ implies \mathbf{b}_{\simeq} -exactness of $(A_\bullet, [d_\bullet])$ in the sense that the chain complex of abelian groups $[X, (A_\bullet, [d_\bullet])]$ will be exact for each $X \in \mathbf{b}$. In [4], the notion of \mathbf{b}_{\simeq} -relative derived functors has been developed using such \mathbf{b}_{\simeq} -resolutions, which we also recall.

For an additive subcategory $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b}_{\simeq}$ of the homotopy category \mathbf{B}_{\simeq} , the **a**-relative left derived functors $L_n^{\mathbf{a}} F$, $n \geq 0$, of a functor $F : \mathbf{B}_{\simeq} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ from \mathbf{B}_{\simeq} to an abelian category \mathcal{A} are defined by

$$(L_n^{\mathbf{a}} F)A = H_n(F(A_\bullet)),$$

where A_\bullet is given by any **a**-resolution of A . Similarly, the **a**-relative right derived functors of a contravariant functor $F : \mathbf{B}_{\simeq}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ are given by

$$(R_n^{\mathbf{a}} F)A = H^n(F(A_\bullet)).$$

In particular, for the contravariant functor $F = [_, B]$ we get the **a**-relative Ext-groups

$$\text{Ext}_{\mathbf{a}}^n(A, B) := (R_n^{\mathbf{a}} [_, B])A = H^n([A_\bullet, B])$$

for any **a**-exact resolution A_\bullet of A . Similarly, for the contravariant functor $\text{Aut}(0_{_, B})$ which assigns to an object A the group $\text{Aut}(0_{A, B})$ of all tracks $\alpha : 0_{A, B} \Rightarrow 0_{A, B}$ from the zero map $A \rightarrow * \rightarrow B$ to itself, one gets the groups of **a**-derived automorphisms

$$\text{Aut}_{\mathbf{a}}^n(A, B) := (R_n^{\mathbf{a}} \text{Aut}(0_{_, B}))(A).$$

It is proved in [4] that under mild conditions (existence of a subset of **a** such that every object of **a** is a direct summand of a direct sum of objects from that subset) every object has an **a**-resolution, and that the resulting groups do not depend on the choice of a resolution.

We next recall the construction of the secondary differential from [4]. This is a map of the form

$$d_{(2)} : \text{Ext}_{\mathbf{a}}^n(A, B) \rightarrow \text{Aut}_{\mathbf{a}}^n(0_{A, B});$$

it is constructed from any secondary **b**-resolution $(A_\bullet, d_\bullet, \delta_\bullet, \epsilon, \hat{\epsilon})$ of the object A . Given an element $[c] \in \text{Ext}_{\mathbf{a}}^n(A, B)$, one first represents it by an n -cocycle

in $[(A_\bullet, [d_\bullet]), B]$, i. e. by a homotopy class $[c] \in [A_n, B]$ with $[cd_n] = 0$. One then chooses an actual representative $c : A_n \rightarrow B$ of it in \mathbf{B} and a track $\gamma : 0 \Rightarrow cd_n$. It can be shown that the composite track $\Gamma = c\delta_n \square \gamma d_{n+1} \in \text{Aut}(0_{A_{n+2}, B})$ satisfies $\Gamma d_{n+1} = 0$, so it is an $(n + 2)$ -cocycle in the cochain complex $\text{Aut}(0_{(A_\bullet, [d_\bullet]), B}) \cong [(\Sigma A_\bullet, [\Sigma d_\bullet]), B]$, so determines a cohomology class $d(2)([c]) = [\Gamma] \in \text{Ext}_a^{n+2}(\Sigma A, B)$. It is proved in [4, 4.2] that the above construction does not indeed depend on choices.

Now turning to our situation, it is straightforward to verify that a secondary chain complex in the sense of [4] in the track category $B\text{-Mod}$ is the same as a 2-complex in the sense of 1.3.1, and that the two notions of exactness coincide. In particular then the notions of resolution are also equivalent.

The track subcategory \mathbf{b} of free modules is generated by coproducts from a single object, so \mathbf{b}_{\simeq} -resolutions of any B -module exist. In fact it follows from [4, 2.13] that any B -module has a secondary \mathbf{b} -resolution too.

Moreover there are natural isomorphisms

$$\text{Aut}(0_{M, N}) \cong \text{Hom}_{\pi_0 B}(\pi_0 M, \pi_1 N).$$

Indeed a track from the zero map to itself is a B_0 -module homomorphism $H : M_0 \rightarrow N_1$ with $\partial H = 0, H\partial = 0$, so H factors through $M_0 \twoheadrightarrow \pi_0 M$ and over $\pi_1 N \twoheadrightarrow N_1$.

Hence the proof is finished with the following lemma. □

Lemma 1.3.7 *For any B -modules M, N there are isomorphisms*

$$\text{Ext}_a^n(M, N) \cong \text{Ext}_{\pi_0 B}^n(\pi_0 M, \pi_0 N)$$

and

$$(\mathbb{R}_a^n(\text{Hom}_{\pi_0 B}(\pi_0(_), \pi_1 N)))(M) \cong \text{Ext}_{\pi_0 B}^n(\pi_0 M, \pi_1 N).$$

Proof: By definition the groups $\text{Ext}_a^*(M, N)$, respectively $(\mathbb{R}_a^n(\text{Hom}_{B_0}(\pi_0(_), \pi_1 N)))(M)$, are cohomology groups of the complex $[F_\bullet, N]$, resp. $\text{Hom}_{\pi_0 B}(\pi_0(F_\bullet), \pi_1 N)$, where F_\bullet is some \mathbf{a} -resolution of M . We can choose for F_\bullet some secondary \mathbf{b} -resolution of M . Then $\pi_0 F_\bullet$ is a free $\pi_0 B$ -resolution of $\pi_0 M$, which makes evident the second isomorphism. For the first, just note in addition that by 1.1.9 $[F_\bullet, N]$ is isomorphic to $\text{Hom}_{B_0}(\pi_0(F_\bullet), \pi_0 N)$. □

2. The pair algebra \mathcal{B} of secondary cohomology operations

The algebra \mathcal{B} of secondary cohomology operations is a pair algebra with Σ -structure which as a Hopf algebra was explicitly computed in [3]. In particular the multiplication map A of \mathcal{B} was determined in [3] by an algorithm. In this chapter

we recall the topological definition of the pair algebra \mathcal{B} and the definition of the multiplication map A . The main results of this work will provide methods for the computation of A or its dual multiplication map A_* . We express in terms of A the secondary Ext-groups $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{B}}$ over the pair algebra \mathcal{B} . This yields the computation of the E_3 -term of the Adams spectral sequence in the next chapter.

2.1. The track category of spectra

In this section we introduce the notion of stable maps and stable tracks between spectra. This yields the track category of spectra. See also [3, section 2.5].

Definition 2.1.1 A spectrum X is a sequence of maps

$$X_i \xrightarrow{r} \Omega X_{i+1}, i \in \mathbb{Z}$$

in the category \mathbf{Top}^* of pointed spaces. This is an Ω -spectrum if r is a homotopy equivalence for all i .

A stable homotopy class $f : X \rightarrow Y$ between spectra is a sequence of homotopy classes $f_i \in [X_i, Y_i]$ such that the squares

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_i & \xrightarrow{f_i} & Y_i \\ \downarrow r & & \downarrow r \\ \Omega X_{i+1} & \xrightarrow{\Omega f_{i+1}} & \Omega Y_{i+1} \end{array}$$

commute in $\mathbf{Top}^* \simeq$. The category \mathbf{Spec} consists of spectra and stable homotopy classes as morphisms. Its full subcategory $\Omega\text{-Spec}$ consisting of Ω -spectra is equivalent to the homotopy category of spectra considered as a Quillen model category as in the work on symmetric spectra of M. Hovey, B. Shipley and J. Smith [12]. For us the classical notion of a spectrum as above is sufficient.

A stable map $f = (f_i, \tilde{f}_i)_i : X \rightarrow Y$ between spectra is a sequence of diagrams in the track category $[[\mathbf{Top}^*]]$ ($i \in \mathbb{Z}$)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_i & \xrightarrow{f_i} & Y_i \\ \downarrow r & \tilde{f}_i \not\rightarrow & \downarrow r \\ \Omega X_{i+1} & \xrightarrow{\Omega f_{i+1}} & \Omega Y_{i+1}. \end{array}$$

Obvious composition of such maps yields the category

$$[[\mathbf{Spec}]]_0.$$

It is the underlying category of a track category $\mathbb{[Spec]}$ with tracks $(H : f \Rightarrow g) \in \mathbb{[Spec]}_1$ given by sequences

$$H_i : f_i \Rightarrow g_i$$

of tracks in \mathbf{Top}^* such that the diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & & g_i \\
 & \xrightarrow{\quad H_i \uparrow \quad} & \\
 X_i & \xrightarrow{\quad f_i \quad} & Y_i \\
 \downarrow r & & \downarrow r \\
 \Omega X_{i+1} & \xrightarrow{\quad \Omega f_{i+1} \quad} & \Omega Y_{i+1} \\
 & \xrightarrow{\quad \Omega H_{i+1} \downarrow \quad} & \\
 & & \Omega g_{i+1}
 \end{array}$$

paste to \tilde{g}_i . This yields a well-defined track category $\mathbb{[Spec]}$. Moreover

$$\mathbb{[Spec]}_{\simeq} \cong \mathbf{Spec}$$

is an isomorphism of categories. Let $\mathbb{[X, Y]}$ be the groupoid of morphisms $X \rightarrow Y$ in $\mathbb{[Spec]}_0$ and let $\mathbb{[X, Y]}_1^0$ be the set of pairs (f, H) where $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a map and $H : f \Rightarrow 0$ is a track in $\mathbb{[Spec]}$, i. e. a stable homotopy class of nullhomotopies for f .

For a spectrum X let $\Sigma^k X$ be the *shifted spectrum* with $(\Sigma^k X)_n = X_{n+k}$ and the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (\Sigma^k X)_n & \xrightarrow{r} & \Omega(\Sigma^k X)_{n+1} \\
 \parallel & & \parallel \\
 X_{n+k} & \xrightarrow{r} & \Omega(X_{n+k+1})
 \end{array}$$

defining r for $\Sigma^k X$. A map $f : Y \rightarrow \Sigma^k X$ is also called a map f of *degree* k from Y to X .

2.2. The pair algebra \mathcal{B} and secondary cohomology of spectra as a \mathcal{B} -module

The secondary cohomology of a space was introduced in [3, section 6.3]. We here consider the corresponding notion of secondary cohomology of a spectrum.

Let \mathbb{F} be a prime field $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ and let Z denote the Eilenberg-Mac Lane spectrum with

$$Z^n = K(\mathbb{F}, n)$$

chosen as in [3]. Here Z^n is a topological \mathbb{F} -vector space and the homotopy equivalence $Z^n \rightarrow \Omega Z^{n+1}$ is \mathbb{F} -linear. This shows that for a spectrum X the sets $[[X, \Sigma^k Z]]_0$ and $[[X, \Sigma^k Z]]_1^0$, of stable maps and stable 0-tracks respectively, are \mathbb{F} -vector spaces.

We now recall the definition of the pair algebra $\mathcal{B} = (\partial : \mathcal{B}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_0)$ of secondary cohomology operations from [3]. Let $\mathbb{G} = \mathbb{Z}/p^2\mathbb{Z}$ and let

$$\mathcal{B}_0 = T_{\mathbb{G}}(E_{\mathcal{A}})$$

be the \mathbb{G} -tensor algebra generated by the subset

$$E_{\mathcal{A}} = \begin{cases} \{\text{Sq}^1, \text{Sq}^2, \dots\} & \text{for } p = 2, \\ \{\text{P}^1, \text{P}^2, \dots\} \cup \{\beta, \beta\text{P}^1, \beta\text{P}^2, \dots\} & \text{for odd } p \end{cases}$$

of the mod p Steenrod algebra \mathcal{A} . We define \mathcal{B}_1 by the pullback diagram of graded abelian groups

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & & \Sigma \mathcal{A} \\
 & & \downarrow \\
 \mathcal{B}_1 & \xrightarrow{\quad} & [[Z, \Sigma^* Z]]_1^0 \\
 \downarrow \partial & \lrcorner & \downarrow \partial \\
 \mathcal{B}_0 & \xrightarrow{s} & [[Z, \Sigma^* Z]]_0 \\
 & & \downarrow \\
 & & \mathcal{A}.
 \end{array} \tag{2.2.1}$$

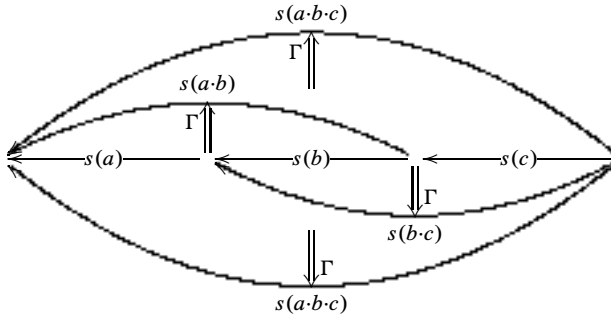
in which the right hand column is an exact sequence. Here we choose for $\alpha \in E_{\mathcal{A}}$ a stable map $s(\alpha) : Z \rightarrow \Sigma^{|\alpha|} Z$ representing α and we define s to be the \mathbb{G} -linear map given on monomials $a_1 \cdots a_n$ in the free monoid $\text{Mon}(E_{\mathcal{A}})$ generated by $E_{\mathcal{A}}$ by the composites

$$s(a_1 \cdots a_n) = s(a_1) \cdots s(a_n).$$

It is proved in [3, 5.2.3] that s defines a pseudofunctor, that is, there is a well-defined track

$$\Gamma : s(a \cdot b) \Rightarrow s(a) \circ s(b)$$

for $a, b \in \mathcal{B}_0$ such that for any a, b, c pasting of tracks in the diagram



yields the identity track. Now \mathcal{B}_1 is a \mathcal{B}_0 - \mathcal{B}_0 -bimodule by defining

$$a(b, z) = (a \cdot b, a \bullet z)$$

with $a \bullet z$ given by pasting $s(a)z$ and Γ . Similarly

$$(b, z)a = (b \cdot a, z \bullet a)$$

where $z \bullet a$ is obtained by pasting $zs(a)$ and Γ . Then it is shown in [3] that $\mathcal{B} = (\partial : \mathcal{B}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_0)$ is a well-defined pair algebra with $\pi_0 \mathcal{B} = \mathcal{A}$ and Σ -structure $\pi_1 \mathcal{B} = \Sigma \mathcal{A}$.

For a spectrum X let

$$\mathcal{H}(X)_0 = \mathcal{B}_0 \llbracket X, \Sigma^* Z \rrbracket_0$$

be the free \mathcal{B}_0 -module generated by the graded set $\llbracket X, \Sigma^* Z \rrbracket_0$. We define $\mathcal{H}(X)_1$ by the pullback diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & & \Sigma H^* X \\
 & & \downarrow \\
 \mathcal{H}(X)_1 & \longrightarrow & \llbracket X, \Sigma^* Z \rrbracket_1^0 \\
 \downarrow \partial & & \downarrow \partial \\
 \mathcal{H}(X)_0 & \xrightarrow{s} & \llbracket X, \Sigma^* Z \rrbracket_0 \\
 & & \downarrow \\
 & & H^* X
 \end{array}$$

where s is the \mathbb{G} -linear map which is the identity on generators and is defined on words $a_1 \cdots a_n \cdot u$ by the composite $s(a_1) \cdots s(a_n) s(u)$ for a_i as above and

$u \in \llbracket X, \Sigma^* Z \rrbracket_0$. Again s is a pseudofunctor and with actions \bullet defined as above we see that the graded pair module

$$\mathcal{H}(X) = \left(\mathcal{H}(X)_1 \xrightarrow{\partial} \mathcal{H}(X)_0 \right)$$

is a \mathcal{B} -module. We call $\mathcal{H}(X)$ the *secondary cohomology* of the spectrum X . Of course $\mathcal{H}(X)$ has a Σ -structure in the sense of 1.2.3 above.

Example 2.2.2 Let \mathbb{G}^Σ be the \mathcal{B} -module given by the augmentation $\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}^\Sigma$ in [3]. Recall that \mathbb{G}^Σ is the pair

$$\mathbb{G}^\Sigma = \left(\mathbb{F} \oplus \Sigma\mathbb{F} \xrightarrow{\partial} \mathbb{G} \right)$$

with $\partial|_{\mathbb{F}}$ the inclusion and $\partial|_{\Sigma\mathbb{F}} = 0$. Then the sphere spectrum S^0 admits a weak equivalence of \mathcal{B} -modules

$$\mathcal{H}(S^0) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{G}^\Sigma.$$

Compare [3, 12.1.5].

3. Computation of the E_3 -term of the Adams spectral sequence as a secondary Ext-group

We show that the E_3 -term of the Adams spectral sequence (computing stable maps in $\{Y, X\}_p^*$) is given by the secondary Ext-groups

$$E_3(Y, X) = \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{H}X, \mathcal{H}Y).$$

Here $\mathcal{H}X$ is the secondary cohomology of the spectrum X which is the \mathcal{B} -module \mathbb{G}^Σ if X is the sphere spectrum S^0 . This leads to an algorithm for the computation of the group

$$E_3(S^0, S^0) = \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathbb{G}^\Sigma, \mathbb{G}^\Sigma)$$

which is a new explicit approximation of stable homotopy groups of spheres improving the Adams approximation

$$E_2(S^0, S^0) = \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}(\mathbb{F}, \mathbb{F}).$$

An implementation of our algorithm computed $E_3(S^0, S^0)$ by now up to degree 40. In this range our results confirm the known results in the literature, see for example the book of Ravenel [17].

3.1. The E_3 -term of the Adams spectral sequence

We now are ready to formulate the algebraic equivalent of the E_3 -term of the Adams spectral sequence. Let X be a spectrum of finite type and Y a finite dimensional spectrum. Then for each prime p there is a spectral sequence $E_* = E_*(Y, X)$ with

$$E_* \implies [Y, \Sigma^* X]_p$$

$$E_2 = \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}(H^* X, H^* Y).$$

Theorem 3.1.1 *The E_3 -term $E_3 = E_3(Y, X)$ of the Adams spectral sequence is given by the secondary Ext group defined in 1.3.5*

$$E_3 = \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{H}^* X, \mathcal{H}^* Y).$$

Corollary 3.1.2 *If X and Y are both the sphere spectrum we get*

$$E_3(S^0, S^0) = \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathbb{G}^\Sigma, \mathbb{G}^\Sigma).$$

Since the pair algebra \mathcal{B} is computed in [3] completely we see that $E_3(S^0, S^0)$ is algebraically determined. This leads to the algorithm below computing $E_3(S^0, S^0)$.

The proof of 3.1.1 is based on the following result in [3]. Consider the track categories

$$\mathbf{b} \subset \llbracket \mathbf{Spec} \rrbracket$$

$$\mathbf{b}' \subset (\mathcal{B}\text{-Mod})^\Sigma$$

where $\llbracket \mathbf{Spec} \rrbracket$ is the track category of spectra in 2.1.1 and $(\mathcal{B}\text{-Mod})^\Sigma$ is the track category of \mathcal{B} -modules with Σ -structure in 1.2.3 with the pair algebra \mathcal{B} defined by (2.2.1). Let \mathbf{b} be the full track subcategory of $\llbracket \mathbf{Spec} \rrbracket$ consisting of finite products of shifted Eilenberg-Mac Lane spectra $\Sigma^k Z^*$. Moreover let \mathbf{b}' be the full track subcategory of $(\mathcal{B}\text{-Mod})^\Sigma$ consisting of finitely generated free \mathcal{B} -modules. As in [4, 4.3] we obtain for spectra X, Y in 3.1.1 the track categories

$$\{Y, X\}\mathbf{b} \subset \llbracket \mathbf{Spec} \rrbracket$$

$$\mathbf{b}'\{\mathcal{H} X, \mathcal{H} Y\} \subset (\mathcal{B}\text{-Mod})^\Sigma$$

with $\{Y, X\}\mathbf{b}$ obtained by adding to \mathbf{b} the objects X, Y and all morphisms and tracks from $\llbracket X, Z \rrbracket, \llbracket Y, Z \rrbracket$ for all objects Z in \mathbf{b} . It is proved in [3, 5.5.6] that the following result holds which shows that we can apply [4, 5.1].

Theorem [3] 3.1.3 *There is a strict track equivalence*

$$(\{Y, X\}\mathbf{b})^{\text{op}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbf{b}'\{\mathcal{H} X, \mathcal{H} Y\}.$$

□

Proof of 3.1.1: By the main result 7.3 in [4] we have a description of the differential $d_{(2)}$ in the Adams spectral sequence by the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{Ext}_{\mathbf{a}^{\text{op}}}^n(X, Y)^m & \xrightarrow{d_{(2)}} & \text{Ext}_{\mathbf{a}^{\text{op}}}^{n+2}(X, Y)^{m+1} \\
 \downarrow \cong & & \downarrow \cong \\
 \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^n(H^*X, H^*Y)^m & \xrightarrow{d_{(2)}} & \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{n+2}(H^*X, H^*Y)^{m+1}
 \end{array}$$

where $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b}_{\simeq}$. On the other hand the differential $d_{(2)}$ defining the secondary Ext-group $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{H}X, \mathcal{H}Y)$ is by 1.3.6 given by the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{Ext}_{\mathbf{a}'}^n(\mathcal{H}X, \mathcal{H}Y)^m & \longrightarrow & \text{Ext}_{\mathbf{a}'}^{n+2}(\mathcal{H}X, \mathcal{H}Y)^{m+1} \\
 \parallel & & \parallel \\
 \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^n(H^*X, H^*Y)^m & \longrightarrow & \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{n+2}(H^*X, H^*Y)^{m+1}
 \end{array}$$

where $\mathbf{a}' = \mathbf{b}'_{\simeq}$. Now [4, 5.1] shows by 3.1.3 that the top rows of these diagrams coincide. □

3.2. The algorithm for the computation of $d_{(2)}$ on $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}(\mathbb{F}, \mathbb{F})$ in terms of the multiplication maps

Suppose now given some projective resolution of the left \mathcal{A} -module \mathbb{F} . For definiteness, we will work with the minimal resolution

$$\mathbb{F} \leftarrow \mathcal{A}\langle g_0^0 \rangle \leftarrow \mathcal{A}\langle g_1^{2^n} \mid n \geq 0 \rangle \leftarrow \mathcal{A}\langle g_2^{2^i+2^j} \mid |i-j| \neq 1 \rangle \leftarrow \dots, \tag{3.2.1}$$

where g_m^d , $d \geq m$, is a generator of the m -th resolving module in degree d . Sometimes there are more than one generators with the same m and d , in which case the further ones will be denoted by $'g_m^d, ''g_m^d, \dots$.

These generators and values of the differential on them can be computed effectively; for example, $d(g_1^{2^n}) = \text{Sq}^{2^n} g_0^0$ and $d(g_m^m) = \text{Sq}^1 g_{m-1}^{m-1}$; moreover e. g.

an algorithm from [9] gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(g_2^4) &= \text{Sq}^3 g_1^1 + \text{Sq}^2 g_1^2 \\
 d(g_2^5) &= \text{Sq}^4 g_1^1 + \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 g_1^2 + \text{Sq}^1 g_1^4 \\
 d(g_2^8) &= \text{Sq}^6 g_1^2 + (\text{Sq}^4 + \text{Sq}^3 \text{Sq}^1) g_1^4 \\
 d(g_2^9) &= \text{Sq}^8 g_1^1 + (\text{Sq}^5 + \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^1) g_1^4 + \text{Sq}^1 g_1^8 \\
 d(g_2^{10}) &= (\text{Sq}^8 + \text{Sq}^5 \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1) g_1^2 + (\text{Sq}^5 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2) g_1^4 + \text{Sq}^2 g_1^8 \\
 d(g_2^{16}) &= (\text{Sq}^{12} + \text{Sq}^9 \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^8 \text{Sq}^3 \text{Sq}^1) g_1^4 + (\text{Sq}^8 + \text{Sq}^7 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^6 \text{Sq}^2) g_1^8 \\
 &\dots, \\
 d(g_3^6) &= \text{Sq}^4 g_2^2 + \text{Sq}^2 g_2^4 + \text{Sq}^1 g_2^5 \\
 d(g_3^{10}) &= \text{Sq}^8 g_2^2 + (\text{Sq}^5 + \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^1) g_2^5 + \text{Sq}^1 g_2^9 \\
 d(g_3^{11}) &= (\text{Sq}^7 + \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1) g_2^4 + \text{Sq}^6 g_2^5 + \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 g_2^8 \\
 d(g_3^{12}) &= \text{Sq}^8 g_2^4 + (\text{Sq}^6 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^5 \text{Sq}^2) g_2^5 + (\text{Sq}^4 + \text{Sq}^3 \text{Sq}^1) g_2^8 + \text{Sq}^3 g_2^9 + \text{Sq}^2 g_2^{10} \\
 &\dots, \\
 d(g_4^{11}) &= \text{Sq}^8 g_3^3 + (\text{Sq}^5 + \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^1) g_3^6 + \text{Sq}^1 g_3^{10} \\
 d(g_4^{13}) &= \text{Sq}^8 \text{Sq}^2 g_3^3 + (\text{Sq}^7 + \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1) g_3^6 + \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 g_3^{10} + \text{Sq}^2 g_3^{11} \\
 &\dots, \\
 d(g_5^{14}) &= \text{Sq}^{10} g_4^4 + \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 g_4^{11} \\
 d(g_5^{16}) &= \text{Sq}^{12} g_4^4 + \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^1 g_4^{11} + \text{Sq}^3 g_4^{13} \\
 &\dots, \\
 d(g_6^{16}) &= \text{Sq}^{11} g_5^5 + \text{Sq}^2 g_5^{14} \\
 &\dots,
 \end{aligned}$$

etc.

By understanding the above formulæ as matrices (i. e. by applying χ degreewise to them), each such resolution gives rise to a sequence of \mathcal{B} -module homomorphisms

$$\mathbb{G}^\Sigma \leftarrow \mathcal{B}\langle g_0^0 \rangle \leftarrow \mathcal{B}\langle g_1^{2^n} \mid n \geq 0 \rangle \leftarrow \mathcal{B}\langle g_2^{2^i+2^j} \mid |i-j| \neq 1 \rangle \leftarrow \dots, \tag{3.2.2}$$

which is far from being exact — in fact even the composites of consecutive maps are not zero. In more detail, one has commutative diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 2\mathbb{G} & \xleftarrow{\epsilon_0} & R_{\mathcal{B}}^0 g_0^0 & \xleftarrow{\quad} & 0 & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \dots \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 \mathbb{G} & \xleftarrow{\epsilon_0} & \mathcal{B}_0^0 g_0^0 & \xleftarrow{\quad} & 0 & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \dots
 \end{array}$$

in degree 0,

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \mathbb{F} & \xleftarrow{(0, \epsilon)} & R^1_{\mathcal{B}} g_0^0 \oplus \mathcal{A}^0 g_0^0 & \xleftarrow{\begin{pmatrix} d & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}} & R^0_{\mathcal{B}} g_1^1 & \xleftarrow{} & 0 \xleftarrow{} \dots \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \xleftarrow{} & \mathcal{B}_0^1 g_0^0 & \xleftarrow{d} & \mathcal{B}_0^0 g_1^1 & \xleftarrow{} & 0 \xleftarrow{} \dots
 \end{array}$$

in degree 1,

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc}
 0 & \xleftarrow{} & R^2_{\mathcal{B}} g_0^0 \oplus \mathcal{A}^1 g_0^0 & \xleftarrow{\begin{pmatrix} d & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}} & (R^1_{\mathcal{B}} g_1^1 \oplus R^0_{\mathcal{B}} g_1^2) \oplus \mathcal{A}^0 g_1^1 & \xleftarrow{\begin{pmatrix} d & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}} & R^0_{\mathcal{B}} g_2^2 & \xleftarrow{} & 0 \xleftarrow{} \dots \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \xleftarrow{} & \mathcal{B}_0^2 g_0^0 & \xleftarrow{d} & \mathcal{B}_0^1 g_1^1 \oplus \mathcal{B}_0^0 g_1^2 & \xleftarrow{d} & \mathcal{B}_0^0 g_2^2 & \xleftarrow{} & 0 \xleftarrow{} \dots
 \end{array}$$

in degree 2, ...

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \xleftarrow{} & R^n_{\mathcal{B}} g_0^0 \oplus \mathcal{A}^{n-1} g_0^0 & \xleftarrow{\begin{pmatrix} d & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}} & \bigoplus_{2^i \leq n} R^{n-2^i}_{\mathcal{B}} g_1^{2^i} \oplus \bigoplus_{2^i \leq n-1} \mathcal{A}^{n-1-2^i} g_1^{2^i} & \xleftarrow{} & \dots \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 0 & \xleftarrow{} & \mathcal{B}_0^n g_0^0 & \xleftarrow{d} & \bigoplus_{2^i \leq n} \mathcal{B}_0^{n-2^i} g_1^{2^i} & \xleftarrow{} & \dots
 \end{array}$$

in degree n , etc.

Our task is then to complete these diagrams into an exact secondary complex via certain (degree preserving) maps

$$\delta_m = \begin{pmatrix} \delta_m^R \\ \delta_m^{\mathcal{A}} \end{pmatrix} : \mathcal{B}_0 \langle g_{m+2}^n \mid n \rangle \rightarrow (R_{\mathcal{B}} \oplus \Sigma \mathcal{A}) \langle g_m^n \mid n \rangle.$$

Now for these maps to form a secondary complex, according to 1.3.1.1 one must have $\partial\delta = d_0 d_0$, $\delta\partial = d_1 d_1$, and $d_1 \delta = \delta d_0$. One sees easily that these equations together with the requirement that δ be left \mathcal{B}_0 -module homomorphism are equivalent to

$$\delta^R = d d, \tag{3.2.3}$$

$$\delta^{\mathcal{A}}(bg) = \pi(b)\delta^{\mathcal{A}}(g) + A(\pi(b), dd(g)), \tag{3.2.4}$$

$$d\delta^{\mathcal{A}} = \delta^{\mathcal{A}} d, \tag{3.2.5}$$

for $b \in \mathcal{B}_0$, g one of the g_m^n , and $A(a, rg) := A(a, r)g$ for $a \in \mathcal{A}$, $r \in R_{\mathcal{B}}$. Hence δ is completely determined by the elements

$$\delta_m^{\mathcal{A}}(g_{m+2}^n) \in \bigoplus_k \mathcal{A}^{n-k-1} \langle g_m^k \rangle \tag{3.2.6}$$

which, to form a secondary complex, are only required to satisfy

$$d\delta_m^{\mathcal{A}}(g_{m+2}^n) = \delta_{m-1}^{\mathcal{A}}d(g_{m+2}^n),$$

where on the right $\delta_{m-1}^{\mathcal{A}}$ is extended to $\mathcal{B}_0\langle g_{m+1}^* \rangle$ via 3.2.4. In addition secondary exactness must hold, which by 1.3.1 means that the (ordinary) complex

$$\begin{aligned} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}_0\langle g_{m-1}^* \rangle \oplus (R_{\mathcal{B}} \oplus \Sigma\mathcal{A})\langle g_{m-2}^* \rangle \leftarrow \mathcal{B}_0\langle g_m^* \rangle \oplus (R_{\mathcal{B}} \oplus \Sigma\mathcal{A})\langle g_{m-1}^* \rangle \\ \leftarrow \mathcal{B}_0\langle g_{m+1}^* \rangle \oplus (R_{\mathcal{B}} \oplus \Sigma\mathcal{A})\langle g_m^* \rangle \leftarrow \end{aligned}$$

with differentials

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\begin{array}{ccc} d_{m+1} & i_{m+1} & 0 \\ d_m d_{m+1} & d_m & 0 \\ \delta_m^{\mathcal{A}} & 0 & d_m \end{array} \right) : \mathcal{B}_0\langle g_{m+2}^* \rangle \oplus R_{\mathcal{B}}\langle g_{m+1}^* \rangle \oplus \Sigma\mathcal{A}\langle g_{m+1}^* \rangle \\ \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_0\langle g_{m+1}^* \rangle \oplus R_{\mathcal{B}}\langle g_m^* \rangle \oplus \Sigma\mathcal{A}\langle g_m^* \rangle \end{aligned}$$

is exact. Then straightforward checking shows that one can eliminate $R_{\mathcal{B}}$ from this complex altogether, so that its exactness is equivalent to the exactness of a smaller complex

$$\leftarrow \mathcal{B}_0\langle g_{m-1}^* \rangle \oplus \Sigma\mathcal{A}\langle g_{m-2}^* \rangle \leftarrow \mathcal{B}_0\langle g_m^* \rangle \oplus \Sigma\mathcal{A}\langle g_{m-1}^* \rangle \leftarrow \mathcal{B}_0\langle g_{m+1}^* \rangle \oplus \Sigma\mathcal{A}\langle g_m^* \rangle \leftarrow$$

with differentials

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc} d_{m+1} & 0 \\ \delta_m^{\mathcal{A}} & d_m \end{array} \right) : \mathcal{B}_0\langle g_{m+2}^* \rangle \oplus \Sigma\mathcal{A}\langle g_{m+1}^* \rangle \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_0\langle g_{m+1}^* \rangle \oplus \Sigma\mathcal{A}\langle g_m^* \rangle.$$

Note also that by 3.2.4 $\delta^{\mathcal{A}}$ factors through π to give

$$\bar{\delta}_m : \mathcal{A}\langle g_{m+2}^* \rangle \rightarrow \Sigma\mathcal{A}\langle g_m^* \rangle.$$

It follows that secondary exactness of the resulting complex is equivalent to exactness of the *mapping cone* of this $\bar{\delta}$, i. e. to the requirement that $\bar{\delta}$ is a quasiisomorphism. On the other hand, the complex $(\mathcal{A}\langle g_m^* \rangle, d_*)$ is acyclic by construction, so any of its self-maps is a quasiisomorphism. We thus obtain

Theorem 3.2.7 *Completions of the diagram 3.2.2 to an exact secondary complex are in one-to-one correspondence with maps $\delta_m : \mathcal{A}\langle g_{m+2}^* \rangle \rightarrow \Sigma\mathcal{A}\langle g_m^* \rangle$ satisfying*

$$d\delta g = \delta dg, \tag{3.2.8}$$

with $\delta(ag)$ for $a \in \mathcal{A}$ defined by

$$\delta(ag) = a\delta(g) + A(a, ddg)$$

where $A(a, rg)$ for $r \in R_{\mathcal{B}}$ is interpreted as $A(a, r)g$.

□

Later in chapter 9 we will need to dualize the map δ . For this purpose it is more convenient to reformulate the conditions in 3.2.7 above in terms of commutative diagrams.

Let

$$W_p = \bigoplus_{q \geq 0} W_p^q$$

denote the free graded \mathbb{G} -module spanned by the generators g_p^q , so that we can write

$$\mathcal{B}_0 \langle g_p^q \mid q \geq 0 \rangle = \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes W_p.$$

The differential in the \mathcal{B} -lifting of (3.2.1), being \mathcal{B} -equivariant, is then given by the composite

$$\mathcal{B}_0 \otimes W_{p+1} \xrightarrow{1 \otimes d} \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes W_p \xrightarrow{m \otimes 1} \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes W_p,$$

where

$$d : W_{p+1} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes W_p$$

is the restriction of this differential to the generators. As a linear operator, this d is given by the same matrix as the one giving the operator of the same name in (3.2.1), i. e. it is obtained by applying the map χ componentwise to the latter.

Moreover let us denote

$$V_p = W_p \otimes \mathbb{F},$$

so that similarly to the above the differential of (3.2.1) itself can be given by the same formulæ, with \mathcal{A} in place of \mathcal{B}_0 and V_p in place of W_p . Then by 3.2.7 the whole map δ is determined by its restriction

$$\delta^{\mathcal{A}} : V_{p+2} \rightarrow \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes V_p$$

(cf. (3.2.6)). Indeed 3.2.7 implies that δ is given by the sum of the two composites in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \mathcal{A} \otimes \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes V_p & \\
 1 \otimes \delta^{\mathcal{A}} \nearrow & & \searrow m \otimes 1 \\
 \mathcal{A} \otimes V_{p+2} & & \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes V_p. \\
 1 \otimes \varphi \searrow & & \nearrow A \otimes 1 \\
 & \mathcal{A} \otimes R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes V_p &
 \end{array} \tag{3.2.9}$$

Here we set $\varphi = dd \otimes \mathbb{F}$, where the map dd is the composite

$$W_{p+2} \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes W_{p+1} \xrightarrow{1 \otimes d} \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes W_p \xrightarrow{m \otimes 1} \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes W_p$$

whose image, as we know, lies in

$$R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes W_p \subset \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes W_p.$$

In other words, there is a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes W_{p+1} & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes d} & \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes W_p & & \\
 & \nearrow d & & \searrow m \otimes 1 & & \\
 W_{p+2} & & & & & \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes W_p \\
 \downarrow & \dashrightarrow dd & & \nearrow & & \\
 V_{p+2} & & & R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes W_p & & \\
 & \dashrightarrow \varphi & & \downarrow & & \\
 & & & R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes V_p & &
 \end{array}
 \tag{3.2.10}$$

Then in terms of the above diagrams of \mathbb{F} -vector spaces, the condition of 3.2.7 can be expressed as follows:

Corollary 3.2.11 *Completions of 3.2.2 to a secondary resolution are in one-to-one correspondence with sequences of maps*

$$\delta_p^{\mathcal{A}} : V_{p+2} \rightarrow \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes V_p, \quad p \geq 0$$

making the diagrams below commute, with φ defined by (3.2.10).

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes V_{p+1} & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes d} & \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \otimes V_p & & \\
 & \nearrow \delta_{p+1}^{\mathcal{A}} & & \searrow m \otimes 1 & & \\
 V_{p+3} & & & \mathcal{A} \otimes R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes V_p & \xrightarrow{A \otimes 1} & \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes V_p \\
 & \searrow d & \nearrow 1 \otimes \varphi & + & \nearrow m \otimes 1 & \\
 & \mathcal{A} \otimes V_{p+2} & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes \delta_p^{\mathcal{A}}} & \mathcal{A} \otimes \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes V_p & &
 \end{array}
 \tag{3.2.12}$$

□

We can use this to construct the secondary resolution inductively. Just start by introducing values of δ on the generators as expressions with indeterminate coefficients; the equation (3.2.8) will impose linear conditions on these coefficients. These are then solved degree by degree. For example, in degree 2 one may have

$$\delta(g_2^2) = \eta_2^2(\text{Sq}^1)\text{Sq}^1 g_0^0$$

for some $\eta_2^2(\text{Sq}^1) \in \mathcal{F}$. Similarly in degree 3 one may have

$$\delta(g_3^3) = \eta_3^3(\text{Sq}^1)\text{Sq}^1 g_1^1 + \eta_3^3(1)g_1^2.$$

Then one will get

$$\begin{aligned} d\delta(g_3^3) &= \eta_3^3(\text{Sq}^1)\text{Sq}^1 d(g_1^1) + \eta_3^3(1)d(g_1^2) = \eta_3^3(\text{Sq}^1)\text{Sq}^1 \text{Sq}^1 g_0^0 + \eta_3^3(1)\text{Sq}^2 g_0^0 \\ &= \eta_3^3(1)\text{Sq}^2 g_0^0 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \delta d(g_3^3) &= \delta(\text{Sq}^1 g_2^2) = \text{Sq}^1 \delta(g_2^2) + A(\text{Sq}^1, d d(g_2^2)) \\ &= \eta_2^2(\text{Sq}^1)\text{Sq}^1 \text{Sq}^1 g_0^0 + A(\text{Sq}^1, d(\text{Sq}^1 g_1^1)) = A(\text{Sq}^1, \text{Sq}^1 \text{Sq}^1 g_0^0) = 0; \end{aligned}$$

thus (3.2.8) forces $\eta_3^3(1) = 0$.

Similarly one puts $\delta(g_m^d) = \sum_{m-2 \leq d' \leq d-1} \sum_a \eta_m^d(a) a g_{m-2}^{d'}$, with a running over a basis in $\mathcal{A}^{d-1-d'}$, and then substituting this in (3.2.8) gives linear equations on the numbers $\eta_m^d(a)$. Solving these equations and choosing the remaining η 's arbitrarily then gives values of the differential δ in the secondary resolution.

Then finally to obtain the secondary differential

$$d_{(2)} : \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^n(\mathbb{F}, \mathbb{F})^m \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{n+2}(\mathbb{F}, \mathbb{F})^{m+1}$$

from this δ , one just applies the functor $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(_, \mathbb{F})$ to the initial minimal resolution and calculates the map induced by δ on cohomology of the resulting cochain complex, i. e. on $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^*(\mathbb{F}, \mathbb{F})$. In fact since (3.2.1) is a minimal resolution, the value of $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(_, \mathbb{F})$ on it coincides with its own cohomology and is the \mathbb{F} -vector space of those linear maps $\mathcal{A}\langle g_*^* \rangle \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ which vanish on all elements of the form $a g_*^*$ with a of positive degree.

Let us then identify $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^*(\mathbb{F}, \mathbb{F})$ with this space and choose a basis in it consisting of elements \hat{g}_m^d defined as the maps sending the generator g_m^d to 1 and all other generators to 0. One then has

$$(d_{(2)}(\hat{g}_m^d))(g_{m'}^{d'}) = \hat{g}_m^d \delta(g_{m'}^{d'}).$$

The right hand side is nonzero precisely when g_m^d appears in $\delta(g_{m'}^{d'})$ with coefficient 1, i. e. one has

$$d_{(2)}(\hat{g}_m^d) = \sum_{g_m^d \text{ appears in } \delta(g_{m+2}^{d+1})} \hat{g}_{m+2}^{d+1}. \tag{3.2.13}$$

For example, looking at the table of values of δ below we see that the first instance of a g_m^d appearing with coefficient 1 in a value of δ on a generator is

$$\delta(g_3^{17}) = g_1^{16} + \text{Sq}^{12} g_1^4 + \text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^4 g_1^2 + (\text{Sq}^9 \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^5 + \text{Sq}^{11} \text{Sq}^4) g_1^1.$$

This means

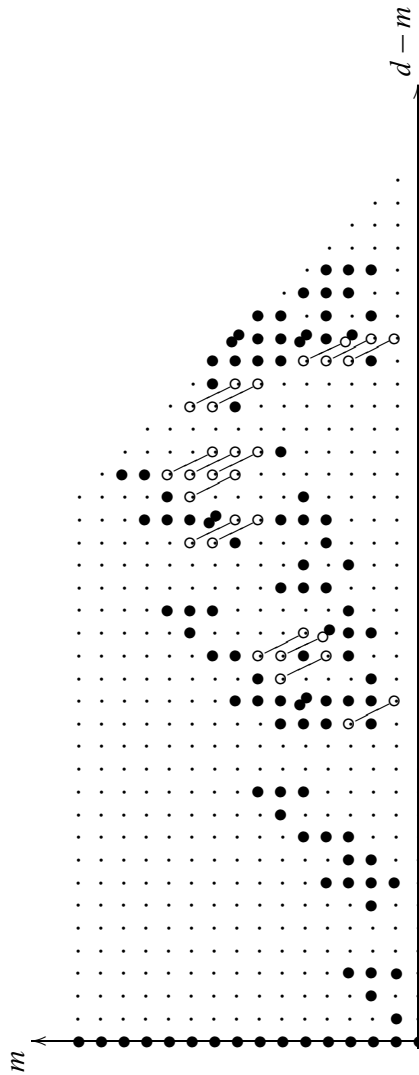
$$d_{(2)}(\hat{g}_1^{16}) = \hat{g}_3^{17}$$

and moreover $d_{(2)}(\hat{g}_m^d) = 0$ for all g_m^d with $d < 17$ (one can check all cases for each given d since the number of generators g_m^d for each given d is finite).

Treating similarly the rest of the table below we find that the only nonzero values of $d_{(2)}$ on generators of degree < 40 are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} d_{(2)}(\hat{g}_1^{16}) &= \hat{g}_3^{17} \\ d_{(2)}(\hat{g}_4^{21}) &= \hat{g}_6^{22} \\ d_{(2)}(\hat{g}_4^{22}) &= \hat{g}_6^{23} \\ d_{(2)}(\hat{g}_5^{23}) &= \hat{g}_7^{24} \\ d_{(2)}(\hat{g}_7^{30}) &= \hat{g}_9^{31} \\ d_{(2)}(\hat{g}_8^{31}) &= \hat{g}_{10}^{32} \\ d_{(2)}(\hat{g}_1^{32}) &= \hat{g}_3^{33} \\ d_{(2)}(\hat{g}_2^{33}) &= \hat{g}_4^{34} \\ d_{(2)}(\hat{g}_7^{33}) &= \hat{g}_9^{34} \\ d_{(2)}(\hat{g}_8^{33}) &= \hat{g}_{10}^{34} \\ d_{(2)}(\hat{g}_3^{34}) &= \hat{g}_5^{35} \\ d_{(2)}(\hat{g}_8^{34}) &= \hat{g}_{10}^{35} \\ d_{(2)}(\hat{g}_7^{36}) &= \hat{g}_9^{37} \\ d_{(2)}(\hat{g}_8^{37}) &= \hat{g}_{10}^{38}. \end{aligned}$$

These data can be summarized in the following picture, thus confirming calculations presented in Ravenel’s book [17].



3.3. The table of values of the differential δ in the secondary resolution for \mathbb{G}^Σ

The following table presents results of computer calculations of the differential δ . Note that it does not have invariant meaning since it depends on the choices involved in determination of the multiplication map A , of the resolution and of those indeterminate coefficients $\eta_m^d(a)$ which remain undetermined after the conditions

(3.2.8) are satisfied. The resulting secondary differential $d_{(2)}$ however does not depend on these choices and is canonically determined.

$$\delta(g_2^2) = 0$$

$$\delta(g_3^3) = 0$$

$$\delta(g_2^4) = 0$$

$$\delta(g_4^4) = 0$$

$$\delta(g_2^5) = 0$$

$$\delta(g_5^5) = 0$$

$$\delta(g_3^6) = \text{Sq}^4 g_1^1$$

$$\delta(g_6^6) = 0$$

$$\delta(g_7^7) = 0$$

$$\delta(g_2^8) = 0$$

$$\delta(g_8^8) = 0$$

$$\delta(g_2^9) = 0$$

$$\delta(g_9^9) = 0$$

$$\delta(g_2^{10}) = 0$$

$$\delta(g_3^{10}) = (\text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^7) g_1^2 + \text{Sq}^8 g_1^1$$

$$\delta(g_{10}^{10}) = 0$$

$$\delta(g_3^{11}) = (\text{Sq}^7 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^8) g_1^2 + \text{Sq}^6 \text{Sq}^3 g_1^1$$

$$\delta(g_4^{11}) = \text{Sq}^5 g_2^5 + \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2 g_2^4$$

$$\delta(g_{11}^{11}) = 0$$

$$\delta(g_3^{12}) = \text{Sq}^7 \text{Sq}^3 g_1^1$$

$$\delta(g_{12}^{12}) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\delta(g_4^{13}) &= \text{Sq}^4 g_2^8 \\ &+ (\text{Sq}^7 + \text{Sq}^5 \text{Sq}^2) g_2^5 \\ &+ (\text{Sq}^8 + \text{Sq}^6 \text{Sq}^2) g_2^4 \\ &+ (\text{Sq}^7 \text{Sq}^3 + \text{Sq}^8 \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{10}) g_2^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\delta(g_{13}^{13}) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\delta(g_5^{14}) &= \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 g_3^6 \\ &+ (\text{Sq}^7 \text{Sq}^3 + \text{Sq}^8 \text{Sq}^2) g_3^3\end{aligned}$$

$$\delta(g_{14}^{14}) = 0$$

$$\delta(g_2^{16}) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\delta(g_5^{16}) &= \text{Sq}^3 g_3^{12} \\ &+ \text{Sq}^4 g_3^{11} \\ &+ \text{Sq}^5 g_3^{10} \\ &+ \text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^2 g_3^3\end{aligned}$$

$$\delta(g_6^{16}) = 0$$

$$\delta(g_2^{17}) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\delta(g_3^{17}) &= g_1^{16} \\ &+ \text{Sq}^{12} g_1^4 \\ &+ \text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^4 g_1^2 \\ &+ (\text{Sq}^9 \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^5 + \text{Sq}^{11} \text{Sq}^4) g_1^1\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\delta(g_6^{17}) &= (\text{Sq}^5 + \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^1) g_4^{11} \\ &+ (\text{Sq}^{12} + \text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^2) g_4^4\end{aligned}$$

$$\delta(g_2^{18}) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\delta(g_3^{18}) &= (\text{Sq}^{11} \text{Sq}^4 + \text{Sq}^8 \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1) g_1^2 \\ &+ (\text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{11} \text{Sq}^5 + \text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^4 + \text{Sq}^{14} \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{16}) g_1^1\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\delta(g_4^{18}) &= (\text{Sq}^6 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^7) g_2^{10} \\ &+ (\text{Sq}^6 \text{Sq}^3 + \text{Sq}^7 \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^9) g_2^8 \\ &+ \text{Sq}^8 \text{Sq}^4 g_2^5 \\ &+ (\text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^{13} + \text{Sq}^{11} \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^1) g_2^4 \\ &+ (\text{Sq}^9 \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{15} + \text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^3 + \text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^5) g_2^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\delta(g_7^{18}) = \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 g_5^{14}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta(g_4^{19}) &= \text{Sq}^9 g_2^9 \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^{10} + \text{Sq}^8 \text{Sq}^2) g_2^8 \\
&+ \text{Sq}^{11} \text{Sq}^2 g_2^5 \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^{11} \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^{13} \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^8 \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^3 \text{Sq}^1) g_2^4 \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^{14} \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^4) g_2^2 \\
\delta(g_5^{19}) &= \text{Sq}^1 g_3^{17} \\
&+ \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2 g_3^{12} \\
&+ \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 g_3^{11} \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^6 \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^8) g_3^{10} \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^8 \text{Sq}^4 + \text{Sq}^{11} \text{Sq}^1) g_3^6 \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^{13} \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^5 + \text{Sq}^{15} + \text{Sq}^{11} \text{Sq}^4) g_3^3 \\
\delta(g_2^{20}) &= 0 \\
\delta(g_3^{20}) &= (\text{Sq}^{15} + \text{Sq}^9 \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2) g_1^4 \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^5 + \text{Sq}^{13} \text{Sq}^4 + \text{Sq}^{16} \text{Sq}^1) g_1^2 \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^{11} \text{Sq}^5 \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{15} \text{Sq}^3 + \text{Sq}^{18} + \text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^6) g_1^1 \\
\delta(g_5^{20}) &= \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 g_3^{12} \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^7 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^8) g_3^{11} \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^3 + \text{Sq}^8 \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^{13} + \text{Sq}^{11} \text{Sq}^2) g_3^6 \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^{13} \text{Sq}^3 + \text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{11} \text{Sq}^5 + \text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^4) g_3^3 \\
\delta'(g_5^{20}) &= \text{Sq}^5 \text{Sq}^2 g_3^{12} \\
&+ \text{Sq}^7 \text{Sq}^2 g_3^{10} \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^3 + \text{Sq}^8 \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^{11} \text{Sq}^2) g_3^6 \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^{14} \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{13} \text{Sq}^3 + \text{Sq}^{11} \text{Sq}^5 + \text{Sq}^{16} + \text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^4) g_3^3 \\
\delta(g_6^{20}) &= (\text{Sq}^6 \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^8) g_4^{11} \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^{13} \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{15} + \text{Sq}^{11} \text{Sq}^4) g_4^4 \\
\delta(g_3^{21}) &= (\text{Sq}^{15} \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^{17} \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^6) g_1^2 \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^{13} \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{15} \text{Sq}^4 + \text{Sq}^{16} \text{Sq}^3 + \text{Sq}^{17} \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{19}) g_1^1 \\
\delta(g_4^{21}) &= \text{Sq}^3 g_2^{17} \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^{10} + \text{Sq}^9 \text{Sq}^1) g_2^{10} \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^9 \text{Sq}^3 + \text{Sq}^{11} \text{Sq}^1) g_2^8 \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^{15} + \text{Sq}^{13} \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^5) g_2^5 \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^{13} \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^3 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^4 \\
&\quad + \text{Sq}^9 \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2) g_2^4 \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^{16} \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^6 + \text{Sq}^{15} \text{Sq}^3) g_2^2 \\
\delta(g_6^{21}) &= (\text{Sq}^7 + \text{Sq}^6 \text{Sq}^1) g_4^{13} \\
&+ (\text{Sq}^9 + \text{Sq}^8 \text{Sq}^1) g_4^{11} \\
&+ \text{Sq}^{11} \text{Sq}^5 g_4^4
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta(g_3^{22}) &= \text{Sq}^{17} g_1^4 \\
&\quad + (\text{Sq}^{16} \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^{13} \text{Sq}^6 + \text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^6 \text{Sq}^1) g_1^2 \\
&\quad + (\text{Sq}^{13} \text{Sq}^5 \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{17} \text{Sq}^3 + \text{Sq}^{18} \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{14} \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2) g_1^1 \\
\delta(g_4^{22}) &= \text{Sq}^4 g_2^{17} \\
&\quad + \text{Sq}^{11} g_2^{10} \\
&\quad + (\text{Sq}^{12} + \text{Sq}^9 \text{Sq}^3) g_2^9 \\
&\quad + (\text{Sq}^9 \text{Sq}^4 + \text{Sq}^{13} + \text{Sq}^8 \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^1) g_2^8 \\
&\quad + \text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^4 g_2^5 \\
&\quad + \text{Sq}^{15} \text{Sq}^2 g_2^4 \\
&\quad + (\text{Sq}^{13} \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{19} + \text{Sq}^{13} \text{Sq}^6 + \text{Sq}^{14} \text{Sq}^5) g_2^2 \\
\delta(g_4^{22}) &= \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 g_2^{18} \\
&\quad + (\text{Sq}^8 \text{Sq}^4 + \text{Sq}^{12}) g_2^9 \\
&\quad + (\text{Sq}^9 \text{Sq}^4 + \text{Sq}^{13} + \text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^1) g_2^8 \\
&\quad + (\text{Sq}^{16} + \text{Sq}^{13} \text{Sq}^3) g_2^5 \\
&\quad + (\text{Sq}^{15} \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{16} \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^{13} \text{Sq}^4 + \text{Sq}^{11} \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2) g_2^4 \\
&\quad + (\text{Sq}^{14} \text{Sq}^5 + \text{Sq}^{19} + \text{Sq}^{17} \text{Sq}^2) g_2^2 \\
\delta(g_5^{22}) &= (\text{Sq}^7 \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^6 \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^6 \text{Sq}^3) g_3^{12} \\
&\quad + \text{Sq}^{10} g_3^{11} + (\text{Sq}^9 \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^8 \text{Sq}^3 + \text{Sq}^{11}) g_3^{10} \\
&\quad + (\text{Sq}^{14} \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^{11} \text{Sq}^3 \text{Sq}^1 + \text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^3 + \text{Sq}^{13} \text{Sq}^2) g_3^6 \\
&\quad + \text{Sq}^{13} \text{Sq}^5 g_3^3 \\
\delta(g_6^{22}) &= g_4^{21} \\
&\quad + (\text{Sq}^6 \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^8 + \text{Sq}^7 \text{Sq}^1) g_4^{13} \\
&\quad + \text{Sq}^{10} g_4^{11} \\
&\quad + (\text{Sq}^{13} \text{Sq}^4 + \text{Sq}^{15} \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{17}) g_4^4 \\
\delta(g_7^{22}) &= (\text{Sq}^{13} \text{Sq}^3 + \text{Sq}^{14} \text{Sq}^2 + \text{Sq}^{16}) g_5^5
\end{aligned}$$

4. Hopf pair algebras and Hopf pair coalgebras representing the algebra of secondary cohomology operations

We describe a modification $\mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{F}}$ of the algebra \mathcal{B} of secondary cohomology operations in chapter 2 which is suitable for dualization. The resulting object $\mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{F}}$ and the dual object $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{F}}$ will be used to give an alternative description of the multiplication map A and the dual multiplication map A_* . All triple Massey products in the Steenrod algebra can be deduced from $\mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{F}}$ or $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{F}}$ and from A and A_* .

We first recall the notions of pair modules and pair algebras from chapter 1 and give the corresponding dual notions. Next we define the concept of M -algebras and N -coalgebras, where M is a folding system and N an unfolding system. An

M -algebra is a variation on the notion of a $[p]$ -algebra from [3]. We show that the algebra \mathcal{B} of secondary cohomology operations gives rise to a comonoid $\mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{F}}$ in the monoidal category of M -algebras, and we describe the dual object $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{F}}$, which is a monoid in the monoidal category of N -coalgebras.

In chapter 6 we study the algebraic objects $\mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{F}}$ and $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{F}}$ in terms of generators. This way we obtain explicit descriptions which can be used for computations. In particular we characterize algebraically multiplication maps A_{ϕ} and comultiplication maps A^{ψ} which determine $\mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{F}}$ and $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{F}}$ completely, see sections 8.1, 8.2, 8.3. For the dual object $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{F}}$ the inclusion of polynomial algebras $\mathcal{A}_* \subset \mathcal{F}_*$ will be crucial. Here \mathcal{A}_* is the Milnor dual of the Steenrod algebra and \mathcal{F}_* is the dual of a free associative algebra.

4.1. Pair modules and pair algebras

We here recall from 1.1 the following notation in order to prepare the reader for the dualization of this notation in the next section. Let k be a commutative ring (usually it will be actually a prime field $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{F}_p = \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ for some prime p) and let \mathbf{Mod} be the category of finite dimensional k -modules (i. e. k -vector spaces) and k -linear maps. A *pair module* is a homomorphism

$$X = \left(X_1 \xrightarrow{\partial} X_0 \right) \tag{4.1.1}$$

in \mathbf{Mod} . We write $\pi_0(X) = \text{coker } \partial$ and $\pi_1(X) = \text{ker } \partial$.

For two pair modules X and Y the tensor product of the complexes corresponding to them is concentrated in degrees in 0, 1 and 2 and is given by

$$X_1 \otimes Y_1 \xrightarrow{\partial_1} X_1 \otimes Y_0 \oplus X_0 \otimes Y_1 \xrightarrow{\partial_0} X_0 \otimes Y_0 \tag{4.1.2}$$

with $\partial_0 = (\partial \otimes 1, 1 \otimes \partial)$ and $\partial_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & \otimes \partial \\ \partial & \otimes 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Truncating this chain complex we get the pair module

$$X \bar{\otimes} Y = \left((X \bar{\otimes} Y)_1 = \text{coker}(\partial_1) \xrightarrow{\partial} X_0 \otimes Y_0 = (X \bar{\otimes} Y)_0 \right)$$

with ∂ induced by ∂_0 . Clearly one has $\pi_0(X \bar{\otimes} Y) \cong \pi_0(X) \otimes \pi_0(Y)$ and

$$\pi_1(X \bar{\otimes} Y) \cong \pi_1(X) \otimes \pi_0(Y) \oplus \pi_0(X) \otimes \pi_1(Y). \tag{4.1.3}$$

We next consider the category \mathbf{Mod}' of *graded* modules, i. e. graded objects in \mathbf{Mod} (graded k -vector spaces $A' = (A^n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$ with upper indices, which in each

degree have finite dimension). For graded modules A^\cdot, B^\cdot we define their graded tensor product $A^\cdot \otimes B^\cdot$ in the usual way with an interchange

$$T_{A^\cdot, B^\cdot} : A^\cdot \otimes B^\cdot \xrightarrow{\cong} B^\cdot \otimes A^\cdot. \tag{4.1.4}$$

A *graded pair module* is a graded object of \mathbf{Mod}_* , i. e. a sequence $X^n = (\partial^n : X_1^n \rightarrow X_0^n)$ with $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ of pair modules. The tensor product $X^\cdot \bar{\otimes} Y^\cdot$ of graded pair modules X^\cdot, Y^\cdot is defined by

$$(X^\cdot \bar{\otimes} Y^\cdot)^n = \bigoplus_{i+j=n} X^i \bar{\otimes} Y^j. \tag{4.1.5}$$

For two morphisms $f, g : X^\cdot \rightarrow Y^\cdot$ between graded pair modules, a *homotopy* $H : f \Rightarrow g$ is a morphism $H : X_0^\cdot \rightarrow Y_1^\cdot$ of degree 0 satisfying

$$f_0 - g_0 = \partial H \text{ and } f_1 - g_1 = H \partial. \tag{4.1.6}$$

Definition 4.1.7 A *pair algebra* B^\cdot is a graded pair module, i. e. an object

$$\partial^\cdot : B_1^\cdot \rightarrow B_0^\cdot$$

in \mathbf{Mod}_* with $B_1^n = B_0^n = 0$ for $n < 0$ such that B_0^\cdot is a graded algebra in \mathbf{Mod}^\cdot , B_1^\cdot is a graded B_0^\cdot - B_0^\cdot -bimodule, and ∂^\cdot is a bimodule homomorphism. Moreover for $x, y \in B_1^\cdot$ the equality

$$\partial(x)y = x\partial(y) \tag{4.1.8}$$

holds in B_1^\cdot .

It is easy to see that a graded pair algebra B^\cdot yields an exact sequence of graded B_0^\cdot - B_0^\cdot -bimodules

$$0 \rightarrow \pi_1 B^\cdot \rightarrow B_1^\cdot \xrightarrow{\partial} B_0^\cdot \rightarrow \pi_0 B^\cdot \rightarrow 0 \tag{4.1.9}$$

where in fact $\pi_0 B^\cdot$ is a graded k -algebra, $\pi_1 B^\cdot$ is a graded $\pi_0 B^\cdot$ - $\pi_0 B^\cdot$ -bimodule, and $B_0^\cdot \rightarrow \pi_0 B^\cdot$ is a homomorphism of graded k -algebras.

The tensor product of pair algebras has a natural pair algebra structure, as it happens in any symmetric monoidal category.

We are mainly interested in two examples of pair algebras defined below in sections 4.5 and 4.6 respectively: the \mathbb{G} -*relation pair algebra* \mathcal{R} of the *Steenrod algebra* \mathcal{A} and the *pair algebra* \mathcal{B} of *secondary cohomology operations* deduced from [3, 5.5.2].

By the work of Milnor [15] it is well known that the dual of the Steenrod algebra \mathcal{A} is a polynomial algebra and this fact yields important algebraic properties of \mathcal{A} . For this reason we also consider the dual of the \mathbb{G} -relation pair algebra \mathcal{R} of \mathcal{A} and the dual of the pair algebra \mathcal{B} of secondary cohomology operations. The duality functor D is studied in the next section.

4.2. *Pair comodules and pair coalgebras*

This section is exactly dual to the previous one. There is a contravariant self-equivalence of categories

$$D = \text{Hom}_k(_, k) : \mathbf{Mod}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathbf{Mod}$$

which carries a vector space V in \mathbf{Mod} to its dual

$$DV = \text{Hom}_k(V, k).$$

We also denote the dual of V by $V_* = DV$, for example, the dual of the Steenrod algebra \mathcal{A} is $\mathcal{A}_* = D(\mathcal{A})$. We can apply the functor $\text{Hom}_k(_, k)$ to dualize straightforwardly all notions of section 4.1. Explicitly, one gets:

A *pair comodule* is a homomorphism

$$X = \left(X^1 \xleftarrow{d} X^0 \right) \tag{4.2.1}$$

in \mathbf{Mod} . We write $\pi^0(X) = \ker d$ and $\pi^1(X) = \text{coker } d$. The dual of a pair module X is a pair comodule

$$\begin{aligned} DX &= \text{Hom}_k(X, k) \\ &= (D\partial : DX_0 \rightarrow DX_1) \end{aligned}$$

with $(DX)^i = D(X_i)$. A *morphism* $f : X \rightarrow Y$ of pair comodules is a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X^1 & \xrightarrow{f^1} & Y^1 \\ d \uparrow & & \uparrow d \\ X^0 & \xrightarrow{f_0} & Y^0. \end{array}$$

Evidently pair comodules with these morphisms form a category \mathbf{Mod}^* and one has functors

$$\pi^0, \pi^1 : \mathbf{Mod}^* \rightarrow \mathbf{Mod}.$$

which are compatible with the duality functor D , that is, for any pair module X one has

$$\pi_i(DX) = D(\pi_i X) \text{ for } i = 0, 1.$$

A morphism of pair comodules is called a *weak equivalence* if it induces isomorphisms on π^0 and π^1 .

Clearly a pair comodule is the same as a cochain complex concentrated in degrees 0 and 1. For two pair comodules X and Y the tensor product of the cochain complexes is concentrated in degrees in 0, 1 and 2 and is given by

$$X^1 \otimes Y^1 \xleftarrow{d^1} X^1 \otimes Y^0 \oplus X^0 \otimes Y^1 \xleftarrow{d^0} X^0 \otimes Y^0$$

with $d^0 = \begin{pmatrix} d \otimes 1 \\ 1 \otimes d \end{pmatrix}$ and $d^1 = (-1 \otimes d, d \otimes 1)$. Cotruncating this cochain complex we get the pair comodule

$$X \bar{\otimes} Y = \left((X \bar{\otimes} Y)^1 = \ker(d^1) \xleftarrow{d} X^0 \otimes Y^0 = (X \bar{\otimes} Y)^0 \right)$$

with d induced by d_0 . One readily checks the natural isomorphism

$$D(X \bar{\otimes} Y) \cong DX \bar{\otimes} DY. \tag{4.2.2}$$

Remark 4.2.3 (compare 1.1.2) Note that the full embedding of the category of pair comodules into the category of cochain complexes induced by the above identification has a right adjoint Tr^* given by cotruncation: for a cochain complex

$$C^* = \left(\dots \leftarrow C^2 \xleftarrow{d^1} C^1 \xleftarrow{d^0} C^0 \xleftarrow{d^{-1}} C^{-1} \leftarrow \dots \right),$$

one has

$$\text{Tr}^*(C^*) = \left(\ker(d^1) \xleftarrow{\bar{d}^0} C^0 \right),$$

with \bar{d}^0 induced by d^0 . Then clearly one has

$$X \bar{\otimes} Y = \text{Tr}^*(X \otimes Y).$$

Using the fact that Tr^* is a coreflection onto a full subcategory, one easily checks that the category \mathbf{Mod}^* together with the tensor product $\bar{\otimes}$ and unit $k^* = (0 \leftarrow k)$ is a symmetric monoidal category, and Tr^* is a monoidal functor.

We next consider the category \mathbf{Mod}_\bullet of *graded* modules, i. e. graded objects in \mathbf{Mod} (graded k -vector spaces $A. = (A_n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$ with lower indices which in each degree have finite dimension). For graded modules $A., B.$ we define their graded tensor product $A. \otimes B.$ again in the usual way, i. e. by

$$(A. \otimes B.)_n = \bigoplus_{i+j=n} A_i \otimes B_j.$$

A *graded pair comodule* is a graded object of \mathbf{Mod}^* , i. e. a sequence $X_n = (d_n : X_n^0 \rightarrow X_n^1)$ of pair comodules. We can also identify such a graded pair comodule X with the underlying morphism d of degree 0 between graded modules

$$X = \left(X^1 \xleftarrow{d} X^0 \right).$$

Now the tensor product $X \overset{\bar{\bar{}}}{\otimes} Y$ of graded pair comodules X, Y is defined by

$$(X \overset{\bar{\bar{}}}{\otimes} Y)_n = \bigoplus_{i+j=n} X_i \overset{\bar{\bar{}}}{\otimes} Y_j. \tag{4.2.4}$$

This defines a monoidal structure on the category \mathbf{Mod}_\bullet of graded pair comodules. Morphisms in this category are of degree 0.

For two morphisms $f, g : X \rightarrow Y$ between graded pair comodules, a *homotopy* $H : f \Rightarrow g$ is a morphism $H : X^1 \rightarrow Y^0$ of degree 0 as in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X^1 & \xrightarrow{f^1} & Y^1 \\
 \uparrow d & \searrow H & \uparrow d \\
 X^0 & \xrightarrow{g^0} & Y^0,
 \end{array}
 \tag{4.2.5}$$

satisfying $f^0 - g^0 = Hd$ and $f^1 - g^1 = dH$.

A *pair coalgebra* B is a comonoid in the monoidal category of graded pair comodules, with the diagonal

$$\delta : B \rightarrow B \overset{\bar{\bar{}}}{\otimes} B.$$

We assume that B is concentrated in nonnegative degrees, that is $B_n = 0$ for $n < 0$.

Of course the duality functor D yields a duality functor

$$D : (\mathbf{Mod}_*^{\bar{\bar{}}})^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathbf{Mod}^*$$

which is compatible with the monoidal structure, i. e.

$$D(X \overset{\bar{\bar{}}}{\otimes} Y) \cong (DX') \overset{\bar{\bar{}}}{\otimes} (DY').$$

We also write $D(X') = X$.

More explicitly pair coalgebras can be described as follows.

Definition 4.2.6 A pair coalgebra B is a graded pair comodule, i. e. an object

$$d : B^0 \rightarrow B^1$$

in \mathbf{Mod}_\bullet^* with $B_n^1 = B_n^0 = 0$ for $n < 0$ such that B^0 is a graded coalgebra in \mathbf{Mod}_\bullet , B^1 is a graded B^0 - B^0 -bicomodule, and d is a bilinear homomorphism. Moreover the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B^1 & \xrightarrow{\lambda} & B^0 \otimes B^1 \\ \rho \downarrow & & d \otimes 1 \downarrow \\ B^1 \otimes B^0 & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes d} & B^1 \otimes B^1 \end{array}$$

commutes, where λ , resp. ρ is the left, resp. right coaction.

It is easy to see that there results an exact sequence of graded B^0 - B^0 -bicomodules dual to (4.1.9)

$$0 \leftarrow \pi^1 B \leftarrow B^1 \xleftarrow{d} B^0 \leftarrow \pi^0 B \leftarrow 0 \tag{4.2.7}$$

where in fact $\pi^0 B$ is a graded k -coalgebra, $\pi^1 B$ is a graded $\pi^0 B$ - $\pi^0 B$ -bicomodule, and $B^0 \leftarrow \pi^0 B$ is a homomorphism of graded k -coalgebras.

One sees easily that the notions in this section correspond to those in the previous section under the duality functor $D = \text{Hom}_k(_, k)$. In particular, D carries (graded) pair algebras to (graded) pair coalgebras.

4.3. Folding systems

In this section we associate to a “right module system” M a category of M -algebras \mathbf{Alg}_M^r which is a monoidal category if M is a “folding system”. Our main examples given by the \mathbb{G} -relation pair algebra \mathcal{R} of the Steenrod algebra \mathcal{A} and by the pair algebra \mathcal{B} of secondary cohomology operations are in fact comonoids in monoidal categories of such type, see sections 4.5 and 4.6. This generalizes the well known fact that the Steenrod algebra \mathcal{A} is a Hopf algebra, i. e. a comonoid in the category of algebras.

Definition 4.3.1 Let \mathbf{A} be a subcategory of the category of graded k -algebras. A right module system M over \mathbf{A} is an assignment, to each $A \in \mathbf{A}$, of a right A -module $M(A)$, and, to each homomorphism $f : A \rightarrow A'$ in \mathbf{A} , of a homomorphism $f_* : M(A) \rightarrow M(A')$ which is f -equivariant, i. e.

$$f_*(xa) = f_*(x)f(a)$$

for any $a \in A, x \in M(A)$. The assignment must be functorial, i. e. one must have $(\text{id}_A)_* = \text{id}_{M(A)}$ for all A and $(fg)_* = f_*g_*$ for all composable f, g .

There are the obvious similar notions of a *left module system* and a *bimodule system* on a category of graded k -algebras \mathbf{A} . Clearly any bimodule system can be considered as a left module system and a right module system by forgetting part of the structure.

Examples 4.3.2 One obvious example is the bimodule system $\mathbb{1}$ given by $\mathbb{1}(A) = A, f_* = f$ for all A and f . Another example is the bimodule system Σ given by the suspension. That is, ΣA is given by the shift

$$\Sigma : A^{n-1} = (\Sigma A)^n$$

($n \in \mathbb{Z}$) which is the identity map denoted by Σ . The bimodule structure for $a, m \in A$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} a(\Sigma m) &= (-1)^{\text{deg}(a)} \Sigma(am), \\ (\Sigma m)a &= \Sigma(ma). \end{aligned}$$

We shall need the *interchange* of Σ which for graded modules U, V, W is the isomorphism

$$\sigma_{U,V,W} : U \otimes (\Sigma V) \otimes W \xrightarrow{\cong} \Sigma(U \otimes V \otimes W) \tag{4.3.3}$$

which carries $u \otimes \Sigma v \otimes w$ to $(-1)^{\text{deg}(u)} \Sigma(u \otimes v \otimes w)$.

Clearly a direct sum of module systems is again a module system of the same kind, so that in particular we get a bimodule system $\mathbb{1} \oplus \Sigma$ with $(\mathbb{1} \oplus \Sigma)(A) = A \oplus \Sigma A$.

We are mainly interested in the bimodule system $\mathbb{1}$ and the bimodule system $\mathbb{1} \oplus \Sigma$ which are in fact both folding systems, see (4.3.15) below.

Definition 4.3.4 For a right module system M on the category of algebras \mathbf{A} and an algebra A from \mathbf{A} , an *M-algebra of type A* is a pair $D_* = (\partial : D_1 \rightarrow D_0)$ with $\pi_0(D_*) = A$ and $\pi_1(D_*) = M(A)$, such that D_0 is a k -algebra, the quotient homomorphism $D_0 \twoheadrightarrow \pi_0 D_* = A$ is a homomorphism of algebras, D_1 is a right D_0 -module, ∂ is a homomorphism of right D_0 -modules, and the induced structure of a right $\pi_0(D_*)$ -module on $\pi_1(D_*)$ coincides with the original right A -module structure on M . For A, A' in \mathbf{A} , an *M-algebra* D_* of type A , and another one D'_* of type A' , a morphism $D_* \rightarrow D'_*$ of *M-pair algebras* is defined to be a commutative

diagram of the form

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & M(A) & \longrightarrow & D_1 & \xrightarrow{\partial} & D_0 & \longrightarrow & A & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 & & f_* \downarrow & & \downarrow f_1 & & \downarrow f_0 & & \downarrow f & & \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & M(A') & \longrightarrow & D'_1 & \xrightarrow{\partial'} & D'_0 & \longrightarrow & A' & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

where f_0 is a homomorphism of algebras and f_1 is a right f_0 -equivariant k -linear map. It is clear how to compose such morphisms, so that M -algebras form a category which we denote \mathbf{Alg}_M^r .

With obvious modifications, we also get notions of M -algebra of type A when M is a left module system or a bimodule system; the corresponding categories of algebras will be denoted by \mathbf{Alg}_M^ℓ and \mathbf{Alg}_M^b , respectively. Moreover, for a bimodule system M there is also a further full subcategory

$$\mathbf{Alg}_M^{pair} \subset \mathbf{Alg}_M^b$$

whose objects, called M -pair algebras are those M -algebras which satisfy the pair algebra equation $(\partial x)y = x\partial y$ for all $x, y \in D_1$.

Remark 4.3.5 Note that if \mathbf{A} contains k , then $\mathbf{Alg}_M^?$ has an initial object given by the M -algebra $I = (0 : M(k) \rightarrow k)$ of type k . Moreover if \mathbf{A} contains the trivial algebra 0 , then $\mathbf{Alg}_M^?$ also has a terminal object — the M -algebra $0 = M(0) \rightarrow 0$ of type 0 . Here ? stands for ℓ, r or b if M is a left-, right-, or bimodule system, respectively.

Definition 4.3.6 Let \mathbf{A} be a category of graded algebras as above which in addition is closed under tensor product, i. e. k belongs to \mathbf{A} and for any A, A' from \mathbf{A} the algebra $A \otimes_k A'$ also belongs to \mathbf{A} . A *right folding system* on \mathbf{A} is then defined to be a right module system M on \mathbf{A} together with the collection of right $A \otimes_k A'$ -module homomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lambda_{A,A'} &: A \otimes_k M(A') \rightarrow M(A \otimes_k A'), \\
 \rho_{A,A'} &: M(A) \otimes_k A' \rightarrow M(A \otimes_k A')
 \end{aligned}$$

for all A, A' in \mathbf{A} which are natural in the sense that for any homomorphisms $f : A \rightarrow A_1, f' : A' \rightarrow A'_1$ in \mathbf{A} the diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A \otimes_k M(A') \xrightarrow{\lambda_{A,A'}} M(A \otimes_k A') & & M(A) \otimes_k A' \xrightarrow{\rho_{A,A'}} M(A \otimes_k A') \\
 f \otimes f_* \downarrow & \downarrow (f \otimes f')_* & f_* \otimes f' \downarrow & \downarrow (f \otimes f')_* \\
 A_1 \otimes_k M(A'_1) \xrightarrow{\lambda_{A_1,A'_1}} M(A_1 \otimes_k A'_1) & & M(A_1) \otimes_k A'_1 \xrightarrow{\rho_{A_1,A'_1}} M(A_1 \otimes_k A'_1)
 \end{array} \tag{4.3.7}$$

commute. Moreover the homomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_{k,A} &: k \otimes_k M(A) \rightarrow M(k \otimes_k A), \\ \rho_{A,k} &: M(A) \otimes_k k \rightarrow M(A \otimes_k k) \end{aligned} \tag{4.3.8}$$

must coincide with the obvious isomorphisms and the diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & A \otimes_k M(A' \otimes_k A'') & \\ \nearrow 1 \otimes \lambda_{A',A''} & & \searrow \lambda_{A,A' \otimes_k A''} \\ A \otimes_k A' \otimes_k M(A'') & \xrightarrow{\lambda_{A \otimes_k A',A''}} & M(A \otimes_k A' \otimes_k A''), \end{array} \tag{4.3.9}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & M(A \otimes_k A') \otimes_k A'' & \\ \nearrow \rho_{A,A'} \otimes 1 & & \searrow \rho_{A \otimes_k A',A''} \\ M(A) \otimes_k A' \otimes_k A'' & \xrightarrow{\rho_{A,A' \otimes_k A''}} & M(A \otimes_k A' \otimes_k A''), \end{array} \tag{4.3.10}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & M(A \otimes_k A') \otimes_k A'' & \\ \nearrow \lambda_{A,A'} \otimes 1 & & \searrow \rho_{A \otimes_k A',A''} \\ A \otimes_k M(A') \otimes_k A'' & & M(A \otimes_k A' \otimes_k A'') \\ \searrow 1 \otimes \rho_{A',A''} & & \nearrow \lambda_{A,A' \otimes_k A''} \\ & A \otimes_k M(A' \otimes_k A'') & \end{array} \tag{4.3.11}$$

must commute for all A, A', A'' in \mathbf{A} . A folding system is called *symmetric* if in addition the diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A \otimes_k M(A') & \xrightarrow{\lambda_{A,A'}} & M(A \otimes_k A') \\ \downarrow T_{A,M(A')} & & \downarrow M(T_{A,A'}) \\ M(A') \otimes_k A & \xrightarrow{\rho_{A',A}} & M(A' \otimes_k A) \end{array}$$

commute for all A, A' , where T is the graded interchange operator given in (4.1.4).

Once again, we have the corresponding obvious notions of a left folding system and a bifolding system.

For a right folding system M , the category \mathbf{Alg}_M^r has a monoidal structure given by the *folding product* $\hat{\otimes}$ below. Given an M -algebra D of type A and another one,

D' of type A' , we define an M -pair algebra $D \hat{\otimes} D'$ of type $A \otimes A'$ as the lower row in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & A \otimes M(A') \oplus M(A) \otimes A' & \longrightarrow & (D \bar{\otimes} D')_1 & \xrightarrow{\partial_{\bar{\otimes}}} & (D \bar{\otimes} D')_0 \longrightarrow A \otimes A' \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow (\lambda_{A,A'}, \rho_{A,A'}) & \text{push} & \downarrow & & \parallel \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & M(A \otimes A') & \longrightarrow & (D \hat{\otimes} D')_1 & \xrightarrow{\partial_{\hat{\otimes}}} & D_0 \otimes D'_0 \longrightarrow A \otimes A' \longrightarrow 0.
 \end{array}
 \tag{4.3.12}$$

Here the leftmost square is required to be pushout, and the upper row is exact by (4.1.3).

Proposition 4.3.13 *For any right (resp. left, bi-) folding system M , the folding product defines a monoidal structure on \mathbf{Alg}_M^r (resp. $\mathbf{Alg}_M^\ell, \mathbf{Alg}_M^b, \mathbf{Alg}_M^{pair}$), with unit object $I = (0 : M(k) \rightarrow k)$. If moreover the folding system is symmetric, then this monoidal structure is symmetric.*

We only will use the monoidal categories $\mathbf{Alg}_{1 \oplus \Sigma}^r$ and $\mathbf{Alg}_{\mathbb{1}}^{pair}$.

Proof: To begin with, let us show that $\hat{\otimes}$ is functorial, i. e. for any morphisms $f : D \rightarrow E, f' : D' \rightarrow E'$ in \mathbf{Alg}_M , let us define a morphism $f \hat{\otimes} f' : D \hat{\otimes} E \rightarrow D' \hat{\otimes} E'$ in a way compatible with identities and composition. We put $(f \hat{\otimes} f')_0 = f_0 \hat{\otimes} f'_0$, and define $(f \hat{\otimes} f')_1$ as the unique homomorphism making the following diagram commute:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 B \otimes M(B') \oplus M(B) \otimes B' & \xrightarrow{\hspace{10em}} & (E \bar{\otimes} E')_1 \\
 \downarrow (\lambda_{B,B'}, \rho_{B,B'}) & \swarrow f \otimes f'_* \oplus f_* \otimes f' & \nearrow (f \bar{\otimes} f')_1 \\
 & A \otimes M(A') \oplus M(A) \otimes A' \longrightarrow (D \bar{\otimes} D')_1 & \\
 & \downarrow (\lambda_{A,A'}, \rho_{A,A'}) & \downarrow \\
 & M(A \otimes A') \longrightarrow (D \hat{\otimes} D')_1 & \\
 & \swarrow (f \otimes f')_* & \searrow (f \hat{\otimes} f')_1 \\
 M(B \otimes B') & \xrightarrow{\hspace{10em}} & (E \hat{\otimes} E')_1
 \end{array}$$

where the left hand trapezoid commutes by (4.3.7). Using the universal property of pushout it is clear that right equivariance of f_1 and f'_1 implies that of $(f \hat{\otimes} f')_1$ so that this indeed defines a morphism in \mathbf{Alg}_M . The same universality implies compatibility with composition.

Next to show that $I = (0 : M(k) \rightarrow k)$ is a unit object first note that for an

M -algebra D by (1.1.2) one has

$$\begin{aligned}
 I \bar{\otimes} D &= \text{Tr}_* \left(M(k) \otimes D_1 \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \otimes \partial \end{pmatrix}} D_1 \oplus M(k) \otimes D_0 \xrightarrow{(\partial, 0)} D_0 \right) \\
 &\cong \left(D_1 \oplus M(k) \otimes A \xrightarrow{(\partial, 0)} D_0 \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

From this using (4.3.8) it is easy to see that $(I \hat{\otimes} D)_1$ is given by the pushout

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 M(A) \oplus M(k) \otimes A & \xrightarrow{\text{incl} \oplus 1} & D_1 \oplus M(k) \otimes A \\
 \text{proj} \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 M(A) & \longrightarrow & (I \hat{\otimes} D)_1
 \end{array}$$

so that there is a canonical isomorphism $(I \hat{\otimes} D)_1 \cong D_1$ compatible with the canonical isomorphism $k \otimes D_0 \cong D_0$. Symmetrically, one constructs the isomorphism $D \hat{\otimes} I \cong D$.

Turning now to associativity, first note that the tensor product (4.1.2) can be equivalently stated as defining $(D \bar{\otimes} D')_1$ by the requirement that the diagram

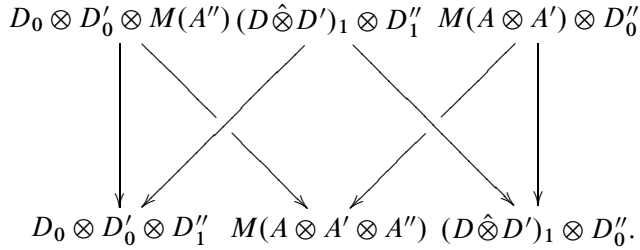
$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & D_1 \otimes D'_1 & \\
 & \swarrow \quad \searrow & \\
 D_0 \otimes D'_1 & \text{push} & D_1 \otimes D'_0 \\
 & \swarrow \quad \searrow & \\
 & (D \bar{\otimes} D')_1 &
 \end{array}$$

be pushout. Then combining diagrams we see that $(D \hat{\otimes} D')_1$ can be equivalently defined as the colimit of the following diagram:

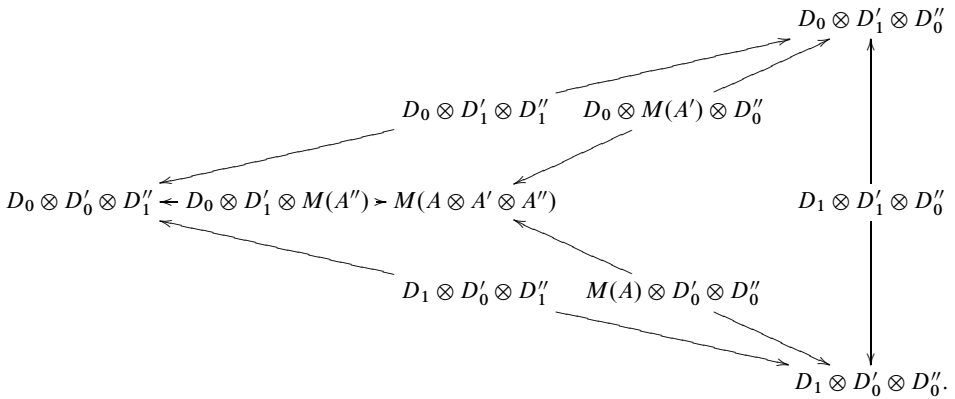
$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 D_0 \otimes M(A') & D_1 \otimes D'_1 & M(A) \otimes D'_0 & & \\
 \downarrow & \swarrow \quad \searrow & \swarrow \quad \searrow & \downarrow & \\
 D_0 \otimes D'_1 & M(A \otimes A') & D_1 \otimes D'_0 & &
 \end{array} \tag{4.3.14}$$

where the map $D_0 \otimes M(A') \rightarrow M(A \otimes A')$ is the composite $D_0 \otimes M(A') \rightarrow A \otimes M(A') \rightarrow M(A \otimes A')$ and similarly for $M(A) \otimes D'_0 \rightarrow M(A \otimes A')$. Hence

$((D \hat{\otimes} D') \hat{\otimes} D'')_1$ is given by the colimit of the diagram



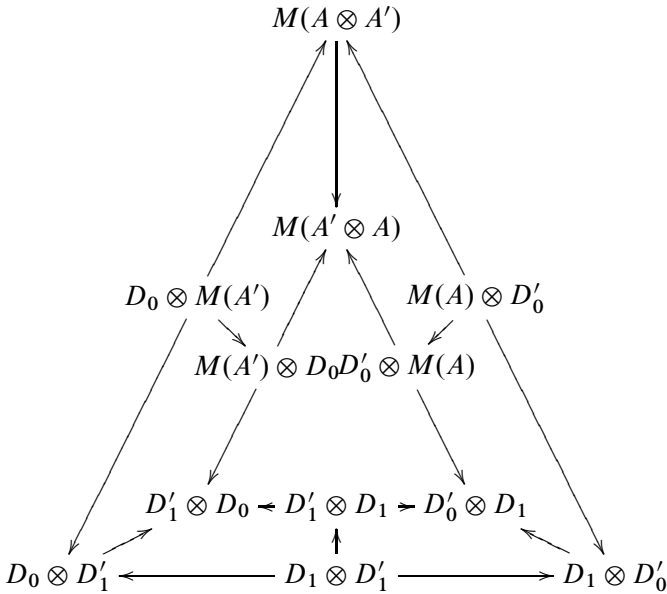
Substituting here the diagram for $(D \hat{\otimes} D')_1$ we obtain that this is the same as the colimit of a diagram of the form



Treating now $(D \hat{\otimes} (D' \hat{\otimes} D''))_1$ in the same way we obtain that it is colimit of a diagram with same objects; then, using (4.3.9), (4.3.11), and (4.3.10), one can see that also morphisms in these diagrams are the same.

Finally, suppose that M is a symmetric folding system. Then for any M -

algebras D, D' of type A, A' respectively, there is a commutative diagram



which induces a map from the colimit of the outer triangle to that of the inner one, i. e. by (4.3.14) a map $(D \hat{\otimes} D')_1 \rightarrow (D' \hat{\otimes} D)_1$. It is then straightforward to check that this defines an interchange for the monoidal structure. \square

Examples 4.3.15 The bimodule system $\mathbb{1}$ above clearly has the structure of a folding system, with λ and ρ both identity maps. Also the bimodule system $\mathbb{1} \oplus \Sigma$ is a folding system via the obvious isomorphisms

$$\lambda_{A,A'} : A \otimes (A' \oplus \Sigma A') \cong A \otimes A' \oplus A \otimes \Sigma A' \xrightarrow{1 \oplus \sigma} A \otimes A' \oplus \Sigma(A \otimes A'), \quad (4.3.16)$$

$$\rho_{A,A'} : (A \oplus \Sigma A) \otimes A' \cong A \otimes A' \oplus (\Sigma A) \otimes A' \cong A \otimes A' \oplus \Sigma(A \otimes A') \quad (4.3.17)$$

where in (4.3.16), the interchange (4.3.3) for Σ is used.

Lemma 4.3.18 *The isomorphisms (4.3.16), (4.3.17) give the bimodule system $\mathbb{1} \oplus \Sigma$ with the structure of a symmetric folding system on any category \mathbf{A} of algebras closed under tensor products.*

Proof: It is obvious that $\mathbb{1}$ with the identity maps is a folding system, and that a direct sum of folding systems is a folding system again, so it suffices to show that Σ is a folding system.

The right diagram in (4.3.7) is trivially commutative, while commutativity of

the left one follows from

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{A_1, M(A'_1)}(f(a) \otimes \Sigma f'(a')) &= (-1)^{\deg(a)} \Sigma(f(a) \otimes f'(a')) \\ &= \Sigma(f \otimes f')((-1)^{\deg(a)} \Sigma(a \otimes a')) = \Sigma(f \otimes f')\sigma_{A, M(A')} (a \otimes \Sigma a') \end{aligned}$$

for any $a \in A, a' \in A', f : A \rightarrow A_1, f' : A' \rightarrow A'_1$. Next, the diagrams (4.3.8) commute since k is concentrated in degree 0.

The diagrams (4.3.10) commute trivially, as only right actions are involved. Commutativity of (4.3.9) follows from the obvious equality

$$(-1)^{\deg(a)} \Sigma(a \otimes (-1)^{\deg(a')} a' \otimes a'') = (-1)^{\deg(a \otimes a')} \Sigma(a \otimes a' \otimes a'')$$

and that of (4.3.11) is also obvious from

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & (-1)^{\deg(a)} \Sigma(a \otimes a') \otimes a'' & \\ & \swarrow \quad \searrow & \\ a \otimes \Sigma(a') \otimes a'' & & (-1)^{\deg(a)} \Sigma(a \otimes a' \otimes a'') \\ & \swarrow \quad \searrow & \\ & a \otimes \Sigma(a' \otimes a'') & \end{array}$$

□

Thus by (4.3.13) the folding system $\mathbb{1} \oplus \Sigma$ yields a well-defined monoidal category $\mathbf{Alg}_{\mathbb{1} \oplus \Sigma}^r$ of $\mathbb{1} \oplus \Sigma$ -algebras as in (4.3.4). The initial object and at the same time the unit for the monoidal structure of $\mathbf{Alg}_{\mathbb{1} \oplus \Sigma}^r$ is by (4.3.5) and (4.3.13)

$$I_{\mathbb{1} \oplus \Sigma} = \left(\mathbb{F} \oplus \Sigma \mathbb{F} \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{F} \right).$$

For $\mathbf{Alg}_{\mathbb{1}}^r$ it is

$$I_{\mathbb{1}} = \left(\mathbb{F} \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{F} \right).$$

The projections $q : A \oplus \Sigma A \rightarrow A$ can be used to construct a monoidal functor

$$q : \mathbf{Alg}_{\mathbb{1} \oplus \Sigma}^r \rightarrow \mathbf{Alg}_{\mathbb{1}}^r \tag{4.3.19}$$

carrying an object D in $\mathbf{Alg}_{\mathbb{1} \oplus \Sigma}^r$ to the pushout in the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 A \oplus \Sigma A & \xrightarrow{\quad} & D_1 & \longrightarrow & D_0 & \twoheadrightarrow & A \\
 q \downarrow & \text{push} & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \parallel \\
 A & \xrightarrow{\quad} & q(D)_1 & \longrightarrow & q(D)_0 & \twoheadrightarrow & A.
 \end{array}$$

Evidently $q(I_{\mathbb{1} \oplus \Sigma}) = I_{\mathbb{1}}$.

4.4. Unfolding systems

It is clear how to dualize the constructions from the previous section along the lines of section 4.2. We will not give detailed definitions but only briefly indicate the underlying structures.

We thus consider a category \mathbf{C} of graded k -coalgebras, and define a right comodule system N on \mathbf{C} as an assignment, to each coalgebra C in \mathbf{C} , of a C -comodule $N(C)$, and to each homomorphism $f : C \rightarrow C'$ of coalgebras of an f -equivariant homomorphism $f_* : N(C) \rightarrow N(C')$, i. e. the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 N(C) & \xrightarrow{\text{coaction}} & N(C) \otimes C \\
 f_* \downarrow & & \downarrow f_* \otimes f \\
 N(C') & \xrightarrow{\text{coaction}} & N(C') \otimes C'
 \end{array}$$

is required to commute. Similarly one defines left comodule systems and bicomodule systems. As before, we have a bicomodule system $\mathbb{1}$ given by $\mathbb{1}(C) = C$ and also $\Sigma, \mathbb{1} \oplus \Sigma$ defined dually to (4.3.2).

Then further for a right comodule system N on \mathbf{C} and for a coalgebra C from \mathbf{C} one defines an N -coalgebra of type C by dualizing (4.3.4). It is thus a pair $D^* = (d : D^0 \rightarrow D^1)$ where D^0 is a coalgebra, D^1 is a right D^0 -comodule and d is a comodule homomorphism. Moreover one must have $\pi^0(D^*) = C, \pi^1(D^*) = N(C)$, and the C -comodule structure on $N(C)$ induced by this must be the one coming from the comodule system N . With morphisms defined dually to (4.3.4), the N -coalgebras form a category \mathbf{Coalg}_N^r . Similarly one defines categories \mathbf{Coalg}_N^ℓ and $\mathbf{Coalg}_N^{pair} \subset \mathbf{Coalg}_N^b$ for a left, resp. bicomodule system N . These categories have the initial object $0 : 0 \rightarrow N(0)$ and the terminal object $0 : k \rightarrow N(k)$.

Also dually to (4.3.6) one defines *unfolding systems* as comodule systems N equipped with $C \otimes C'$ -comodule homomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned}
 l^{C,C'} &: N(C \otimes C') \rightarrow C \otimes N(C') \\
 r^{C,C'} &: N(C \otimes C') \rightarrow N(C) \otimes C'
 \end{aligned}$$

for all $C, C' \in \mathbf{C}$ required to satisfy obvious duals to the diagrams (4.3.7) – (4.3.11). Also there is an obvious notion of a symmetric unfolding system.

Then for an unfolding system N we can dualize (4.3.12) to obtain definition of the *unfolding product* $D \overset{\circ}{\otimes} D'$ of N -coalgebras via the upper row in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 \longrightarrow & C \otimes C' & \longrightarrow & D^0 \otimes D'^0 & \xrightarrow{d^{\overset{\circ}{\otimes}}} & (D \overset{\circ}{\otimes} D')^1 & \longrightarrow & N(C \otimes C') & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 & \parallel & & \parallel & & \downarrow & \text{pull} & \downarrow \binom{C, C'}{r, c, c'} & & \\
 0 \longrightarrow & C \otimes C' & \longrightarrow & (D \overset{\circ}{\otimes} D')^0 & \xrightarrow{d^{\overset{\circ}{\otimes}}} & (D \overset{\circ}{\otimes} D')^1 & \longrightarrow & C \otimes N(C') \oplus N(C) \otimes C' & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

where now the rightmost square is required to be pullback and the lower row is exact by the dual of (4.1.3).

It is then straightforward to dualize (4.3.13), so we conclude that for any unfolding system N the unfolding product equips the category $\mathbf{Coalg}_N^?$ with the structure of a monoidal category, symmetric if N is symmetric. Here, “?” stands for “r”, “l”, “b” or “pair”, according to the type of N . Obviously also the dual of (4.3.18) holds, so that the categories \mathbf{Coalg}_1^{pair} and $\mathbf{Coalg}_{1 \oplus \Sigma}^r$ have monoidal structures given by the unfolding product.

4.5. The \mathbb{G} -relation pair algebra of the Steenrod algebra

Fix a prime p , and let $\mathbb{G} = \mathbb{Z}/p^2\mathbb{Z}$ be the ring of integers mod p^2 , with the quotient map $\mathbb{G} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{F} = \mathbb{F}_p = \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$. Let \mathcal{A} be the mod p Steenrod algebra and let

$$E_{\mathcal{A}} = \begin{cases} \{Sq^1, Sq^2, \dots\} & \text{for } p = 2, \\ \{P^1, P^2, \dots\} \cup \{\beta, \beta P^1, \beta P^2, \dots\} & \text{for odd } p \end{cases}$$

be the set of generators of the algebra \mathcal{A} . We consider the following algebras and homomorphisms

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 q : \mathcal{B}_0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{F}_0 \xrightarrow{q_{\mathcal{F}}} \mathcal{A} \\
 \parallel & & \parallel \\
 T_{\mathbb{G}}(E_{\mathcal{A}}) & & T_{\mathbb{F}}(E_{\mathcal{A}})
 \end{array} \tag{4.5.1}$$

For a commutative ring k , $T_k(S)$ denotes the free associative k -algebra with unit generated by the set S , i. e. the tensor algebra of the free k -module on S . The map $q_{\mathcal{F}}$ is the algebra homomorphism which is the identity on $E_{\mathcal{A}}$. For $f \in \mathcal{F}_0$ we denote the element $q_{\mathcal{F}}(f) \in \mathcal{A}$ by

$$\bar{f} = q_{\mathcal{F}}(f).$$

Let $R_{\mathcal{B}}$ denote the kernel of q , i. e. there is a short exact sequence

$$R_{\mathcal{B}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}_0 \xrightarrow{q} \mathcal{A}.$$

This short exact sequence gives rise to a long exact sequence

$$\mathrm{Tor}(R_{\mathcal{B}}, \mathbb{F}) \longrightarrow \mathrm{Tor}(\mathcal{B}_0, \mathbb{F}) \longrightarrow \mathrm{Tor}(\mathcal{A}, \mathbb{F}) \xrightarrow{i} R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathbb{F} \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathbb{F} \longrightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathbb{F}.$$

Here $A \otimes \mathbb{F} \cong A/pA$ and $\mathrm{Tor}(A, \mathbb{F})$ is just the p -torsion part of A for an abelian group A , so the connecting homomorphism i sends $a = q(b) + p\mathcal{B}_0$ to $pb + pR_{\mathcal{B}}$. It follows that the second homomorphism in the above sequence is zero. Moreover clearly we can identify $\mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathbb{F} = \mathcal{F}_0$ and $\mathrm{Tor}(\mathcal{A}, \mathbb{F}) = \mathcal{A}$, so that there is an exact sequence

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{i} & \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} & \xrightarrow{\partial} & \mathcal{R}_0^{\mathbb{F}} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{A} \\ & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \\ & & R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathbb{F} & & \mathcal{F}_0 & & \end{array} \tag{4.5.2}$$

One has

Lemma 4.5.3 *The pair $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}} = (\partial : \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_0^{\mathbb{F}})$ above has a pair algebra structure compatible with the standard bimodule structure of \mathcal{A} on itself, so that $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ yields an object in $\mathbf{Alg}_1^{\mathrm{pair}}$, see (4.3.4).*

Proof: Clearly mod p reduction of any pair algebra over \mathbb{G} is a pair algebra over \mathbb{F} . Then let $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ be the mod p reduction of the pair algebra $R_{\mathcal{B}} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{B}_0$. Thus the \mathcal{F}_0 - \mathcal{F}_0 -bimodule structure on $\mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} = R_{\mathcal{B}}/pR_{\mathcal{B}}$ is just the mod p reduction of the \mathcal{B}_0 - \mathcal{B}_0 -bimodule structure on $R_{\mathcal{B}}$, i. e. $b' + p\mathcal{B}_0 \in \mathcal{R}_0^{\mathbb{F}} = \mathcal{B}_0/p\mathcal{B}_0$ acts on $r + pR_{\mathcal{B}} \in \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} = R_{\mathcal{B}}/pR_{\mathcal{B}}$ via

$$(b' + p\mathcal{B}_0)(r + pR_{\mathcal{B}}) = b'r + pR_{\mathcal{B}}.$$

Moreover the above inclusion $\mathcal{A} \twoheadrightarrow R_{\mathcal{B}}/pR_{\mathcal{B}}$ sends an element $q(b)$ to $pb + pR_{\mathcal{B}}$. Then the action of $a' = q(b') \in \mathcal{A}$ on $i(a) = pb + pR_{\mathcal{B}} \in i(\mathcal{A}) = \ker \partial$ induced by this pair algebra is given as follows:

$$a'i(a) = q_{\mathcal{F}}(b' + p\mathcal{B}_0)(pb + pR_{\mathcal{B}}) = pb'b + pR_{\mathcal{B}} = iq(b'b) = i(a'a)$$

and similarly for the right action. □

We call the object $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ of the category $\mathbf{Alg}_1^{\mathrm{pair}}$ the \mathbb{G} -relation pair algebra of \mathcal{A} .

Theorem 4.5.4 *The 1-pair algebra $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ has a structure of a cocommutative comonoid in the symmetric monoidal category $\mathbf{Alg}_1^{\mathrm{pair}}$.*

Proof: For $n \geq 0$, let $R_{\mathcal{B}}^{(n)}$ denote the kernel of the map $q^{\otimes n}$, so that there is a short exact sequence

$$R_{\mathcal{B}}^{(n)} \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}_0^{\otimes n} \xrightarrow{q^{\otimes n}} \mathcal{A}^{\otimes n}$$

and similarly to (4.5.3) there is a pair algebra of the form

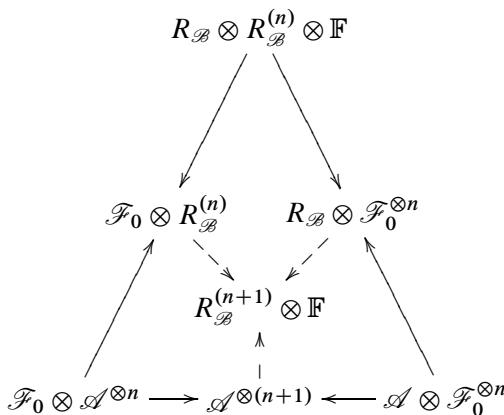
$$\mathcal{A}^{\otimes n} \longrightarrow R_{\mathcal{B}}^{(n)} \otimes \mathbb{F} \longrightarrow \mathcal{F}_0^{\otimes n} \xrightarrow{q_{\mathcal{F}}^{\otimes n}} \mathcal{A}^{\otimes n}$$

determining an object $\mathcal{R}^{(n)}$ in $\mathbf{Alg}_{\mathbb{1}}^{pair}$. Then one has the following lemma which yields natural examples of folding products in $\mathbf{Alg}_{\mathbb{1}}^{pair}$.

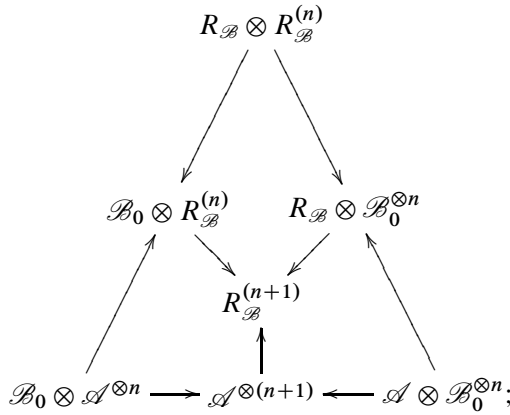
Lemma 4.5.5 *There is a canonical isomorphism $\mathcal{R}^{(n)} \cong (\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}})^{\hat{\otimes} n}$ in $\mathbf{Alg}_{\mathbb{1}}^{pair}$.*

Proof: Using induction, we will assume given an isomorphism $\alpha_n : (\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}})^{\hat{\otimes} n} \cong \mathcal{R}^{(n)}$ and construct α_{n+1} in a canonical way. To do this it clearly suffices to construct a canonical isomorphism $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{R}^{(n)} \cong \mathcal{R}^{(n+1)}$ as then its composite with $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}} \hat{\otimes} \alpha_n$ will give α_{n+1} .

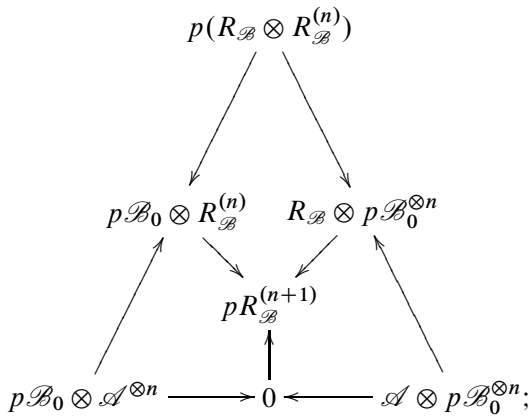
To construct a map $(\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{R}^{(n)})_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_1^{(n+1)}$ means by (4.3.14) the same as to find three dashed arrows making the diagram



commute. For this we use the commutative diagram

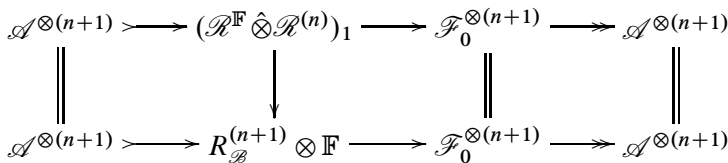


This diagram has a commutative subdiagram



It is obvious that taking the quotient by this subdiagram gives us a diagram of the kind we need.

We thus obtain a map $(\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{R}^{(n)})_1 \rightarrow R_{\mathcal{B}}^{(n+1)} \otimes \mathbb{F}$. Moreover by its construction this map fits into the commutative diagram



with exact rows, hence by the five lemma it is an isomorphism. □

Using the lemma, we next construct the diagonal of $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ given by

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathbb{F} & \xlongequal{\quad} & \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} & \xrightarrow{\partial} & \mathcal{R}_0^{\mathbb{F}} & \xlongequal{\quad} & \mathcal{F}_0 \\
 \Delta^{\mathbb{G}} \otimes 1 \downarrow & & \Delta \downarrow & & \Delta \downarrow & & \Delta \downarrow \\
 R_{\mathcal{B}}^{(2)} \otimes \mathbb{F} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & (\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}})_1 & \xrightarrow{\partial_{\hat{\otimes}}} & \mathcal{R}_0^{\mathbb{F}} \otimes \mathcal{R}_0^{\mathbb{F}} & \xlongequal{\quad} & \mathcal{F}_0 \otimes \mathcal{F}_0.
 \end{array}$$

Here $\Delta^{\mathbb{G}}$ is defined by the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 R_{\mathcal{B}} & \hookrightarrow & \mathcal{B}_0 \\
 \Delta^{\mathbb{G}} \downarrow & & \Delta^{\mathbb{G}} \downarrow \\
 R_{\mathcal{B}}^{(2)} & \hookrightarrow & \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathcal{B}_0.
 \end{array} \tag{4.5.6}$$

where the diagonal $\Delta^{\mathbb{G}}$ on \mathcal{B}_0 is defined on generators by

$$\left. \begin{aligned}
 \Delta^{\mathbb{G}}(\text{Sq}^n) &= \sum_{i=0}^n \text{Sq}^i \otimes \text{Sq}^{n-i} && \text{for } p = 2, \\
 \Delta^{\mathbb{G}}(\beta) &= \beta \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \beta, \\
 \Delta^{\mathbb{G}}(\text{P}^n) &= \sum_{i+j=n} \text{P}^i \otimes \text{P}^j, \\
 \Delta^{\mathbb{G}}(\text{P}_{\beta}^n) &= \sum_{i+j=n} (\text{P}_{\beta}^i \otimes \text{P}^j + \text{P}^i \otimes \text{P}_{\beta}^j)
 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{for odd } p$$

(with $\text{Sq}^0 = 1, \text{P}^0 = 1$ as usual) and extended to the whole \mathcal{B}_0 as the unique algebra homomorphism with respect to the algebra structure on $\mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathcal{B}_0$ given by the nonstandard interchange formula

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathcal{B}_0 & \\
 1 \otimes T^{\mathbb{G}} \otimes 1 \nearrow & & \searrow \mu \otimes \mu \\
 \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathcal{B}_0 & \xrightarrow{\mu \otimes} & \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathcal{B}_0
 \end{array}$$

with

$$\begin{aligned}
 T^{\mathbb{G}} : \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathcal{B}_0 &\xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathcal{B}_0 \\
 T^{\mathbb{G}}(x \otimes y) &= (-1)^{p \deg(x) \deg(y)} y \otimes x.
 \end{aligned}$$

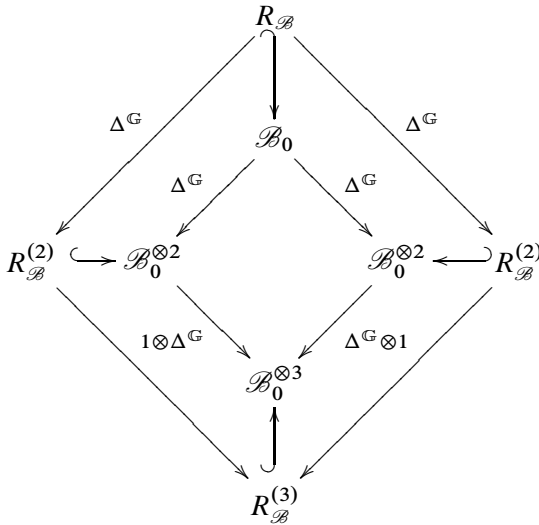
In particular, clearly for all p one has $T^{\mathbb{G}} \Delta^{\mathbb{G}} = \Delta^{\mathbb{G}}$, i. e. the coalgebra structure on \mathcal{B}_0 is cocommutative.

The counit for $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ is given by the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \mathcal{A} & \longrightarrow & R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathbb{F} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{F}_0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{A} \\
 \downarrow \epsilon & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \epsilon & & \downarrow \epsilon \\
 \mathbb{F} & \xlongequal{\quad} & \mathbb{F} & \xrightarrow{0} & \mathbb{F} & \xlongequal{\quad} & \mathbb{F}
 \end{array} \tag{4.5.7}$$

where the map $R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ sends the generator $(p1_{\mathcal{B}_0}) \otimes 1$ in degree 0 to 1 and all elements in higher degrees to zero. It is then clear from the formula for $\Delta^{\mathbb{G}}$ that this indeed gives a counit for this diagonal.

Finally, to prove coassociativity, by the lemma it suffices to consider the diagram



□

4.6. The algebra of secondary cohomology operations

Let us next consider a derivation of degree 0 of the form

$$\kappa : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \Sigma \mathcal{A},$$

uniquely determined by

$$\left. \begin{array}{l}
 \kappa \text{Sq}^n = \Sigma \text{Sq}^{n-1} \text{ for } p = 2, \\
 \kappa \beta = \Sigma 1, \\
 \kappa (\mathbb{P}^i) = 0, i \geq 0
 \end{array} \right\} \text{ for odd } p. \tag{4.6.1}$$

We will use \varkappa to define an \mathcal{A} - \mathcal{A} -bimodule

$$\mathcal{A} \oplus_{\varkappa} \Sigma \mathcal{A}$$

as follows. The right \mathcal{A} -module structure is the same as on $\mathcal{A} \oplus \Sigma \mathcal{A}$ above, i. e. one has $(x, \Sigma y)a = (xa, \Sigma ya)$. As for the left \mathcal{A} -module structure, it is given by

$$a(x, \Sigma y) = (ax, (-1)^{\deg(a)} \Sigma ay + \varkappa(a)x).$$

There is a short exact sequence of \mathcal{A} - \mathcal{A} -bimodules

$$0 \rightarrow \Sigma \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \oplus_{\varkappa} \Sigma \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \rightarrow 0$$

given by the standard inclusion and projection.

Remark 4.6.2 The above short exact sequence of bimodules and the derivation \varkappa correspond to each other under the well known description of the first Hochschild cohomology group in terms of bimodule extensions and derivations, respectively. Indeed, more generally recall that for a graded k -algebra A and an A - A -bimodule M , one of the possible definitions of the Hochschild cohomology of A with coefficients in M is

$$HH^n(A; M) = \text{Ext}_{A \otimes_k A^\circ}^n(A, M).$$

On the other hand, $HH^1(A; M)$ can be also described in terms of derivations. Recall that an M -valued derivation on A is a k -linear map $\varkappa : A \rightarrow M$ of degree 0 satisfying

$$\varkappa(xy) = \varkappa(x)y + (-1)^{\deg(x)} x\varkappa(y)$$

for any $x, y \in A$. Such derivations form a k -vector space $\text{Der}(A; M)$. A derivation $\varkappa = \iota_m$ is called inner if there is an $m \in M$ such that

$$\varkappa(x) = mx - (-1)^{\deg(x)} xm = \iota_m(x)$$

for all $x \in A$. These form a subspace $\text{Ider}(A; M) \subset \text{Der}(A; M)$ and one has an isomorphism $HH^1(A; M) \cong \text{Der}(A; M)/\text{Ider}(A; M)$. Moreover there is an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow HH^0(A; M) \rightarrow M \xrightarrow{\iota} \text{Der}(A; M) \rightarrow HH^1(A; M) \rightarrow 0.$$

Explicitly, the isomorphism

$$\text{Der}(A; M)/\text{Ider}(A; M) \cong \text{Ext}_{A \otimes_k A^\circ}^1(A, M),$$

can be described by assigning to a class of a derivation $\kappa : A \rightarrow M$ the class of the extension

$$0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow A \oplus_{\kappa} M \rightarrow A \rightarrow 0$$

where as a vector space, $A \oplus_{\kappa} M = A \oplus M$, the maps are the canonical inclusion and projection and the bimodule structure is given by

$$\begin{aligned} a(x, m) &= (ax, am + \kappa(a)x), \\ (x, m)a &= (xa, ma). \end{aligned}$$

Obviously $\mathcal{A} \oplus_{\kappa} \Sigma \mathcal{A}$ above is an example of this construction.

Definition 4.6.3 A Hopf pair algebra \mathcal{V} (associated to \mathcal{A}) is a pair algebra $\partial : \mathcal{V}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{V}_0$ over \mathbb{F} together with the following commutative diagram in the category of \mathcal{F}_0 - \mathcal{F}_0 -bimodules

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \Sigma \mathcal{A} & \xlongequal{\quad} & \Sigma \mathcal{A} & & & & \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \\ \mathcal{A} \oplus_{\kappa} \Sigma \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{V}_1 & \xrightarrow{\partial} & \mathcal{V}_0 & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{A} \\ \downarrow q & & \downarrow q & & \parallel & & \parallel \\ \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{R}_0^{\mathbb{F}} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{A} \end{array} \tag{4.6.4}$$

with exact rows and columns. The pair morphism $q : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ will be called the \mathbb{G} -structure of \mathcal{V} . Moreover \mathcal{V} has a structure of a comonoid in $\mathbf{Alg}_{\mathbb{1} \oplus \Sigma}^r$ and q is compatible with the $\mathbf{Alg}_{\mathbb{1}}^{pair}$ -comonoid structure on $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ in (4.5.4), in the sense that the diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{V}_1 & \xrightarrow{\Delta_{\mathcal{V}}} & (\mathcal{V} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{V})_1 \\ q \downarrow & & \downarrow q \hat{\otimes} q \\ \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} & \xrightarrow{\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}} & (\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}})_1 \end{array} \tag{4.6.5}$$

and

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{V}_1 & \xrightarrow{\epsilon_{\mathcal{V}}} & \mathbb{F} \oplus \Sigma \mathbb{F} \\ q \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} & \xrightarrow{\epsilon_{\mathcal{R}}} & \mathbb{F} \end{array} \tag{4.6.6}$$

commute.

We next observe that the following diagrams commute:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\quad \kappa \quad} & \Sigma \mathcal{A} \\
 \delta \downarrow & & \downarrow \Sigma \delta \\
 \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\quad \kappa \otimes 1 \quad} & \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \equiv \Sigma(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}),
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\quad \kappa \quad} & \Sigma \mathcal{A} \\
 \delta \downarrow & & \downarrow \Sigma \delta \\
 \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\quad 1 \otimes \kappa \quad} & \mathcal{A} \otimes \Sigma \mathcal{A} \xrightarrow{\quad \sigma \quad} \Sigma(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A})
 \end{array}$$

where σ is the interchange for Σ in (4.3.3). Or, on elements,

$$\sum \kappa(a_\ell) \otimes a_r = \sum \kappa(a)_\ell \otimes \kappa(a)_r = \sum \sigma(a_\ell \otimes \kappa(a_r)), \tag{4.6.7}$$

where we use the Sweedler notation for the diagonal

$$\delta(x) = \sum x_\ell \otimes x_r.$$

Remark 4.6.8 The above identities have a simple explanation using dualization. We will see in (5.1.7) below that the map dual to κ is the map $\Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_*$ given, for $p = 2$, by multiplication with the degree 1 generator $\zeta_1 \in \mathcal{A}_*$ and for odd p by the degree 1 generator τ_0 . Then the duals of (4.6.7) are the obvious identities for any $x, y \in \mathcal{A}_*$

$$(\zeta_1 x)y = \zeta_1(xy) = x(\zeta_1 y)$$

for $p = 2$ and

$$(\tau_0 x)y = \tau_0(xy) = (-1)^{\deg(x)} x(\tau_0 y)$$

for odd p (recall that \mathcal{A}_* is graded commutative).

Using (4.6.7) we prove:

Lemma 4.6.9 *For a Hopf pair algebra \mathcal{V} there is a unique left action of \mathcal{F}_0 on $(\mathcal{V} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{V})_1$ such that the quotient map*

$$(\mathcal{V} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{V})_1 \twoheadrightarrow (\mathcal{V} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{V})_1$$

is \mathcal{F}_0 -equivariant. Here we use the pair algebra structure on $\mathcal{V} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{V}$ to equip $(\mathcal{V} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{V})_1$ with an $\mathcal{F}_0 \otimes \mathcal{F}_0$ -bimodule structure and then turn it into a left \mathcal{F}_0 -module via restriction of scalars along $\Delta : \mathcal{F}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_0 \otimes \mathcal{F}_0$.

Proof: Uniqueness is clear as the module structure on the quotient of any module M by a submodule is clearly uniquely determined by the module structure on M .

For the existence, consider the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \mathcal{F}_0 \otimes (\mathcal{A} \oplus_\kappa \Sigma \mathcal{A}) & & \mathcal{V}_1 \otimes \mathcal{V}_1 & & (\mathcal{A} \oplus_\kappa \Sigma \mathcal{A}) \otimes \mathcal{F}_0 \\
 \downarrow & \swarrow & & \searrow & \downarrow \\
 \mathcal{F}_0 \otimes \mathcal{V}_1 & & \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \oplus_{\kappa \otimes 1} \Sigma(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}) & & \mathcal{V}_1 \otimes \mathcal{F}_0.
 \end{array}
 \tag{4.6.10}$$

whose colimit, by (4.3.14), is $(\mathcal{V} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{V})_1$, with the right $\mathcal{F}_0 \otimes \mathcal{F}_0$ -module structure coming from the category $\mathbf{Alg}_{\mathbb{1} \oplus \Sigma}^r$. It then suffices to show that all maps in this diagram are also left \mathcal{F}_0 -equivariant, if one uses the left \mathcal{F}_0 -module structure by restricting scalars along the diagonal $\mathcal{F}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_0 \otimes \mathcal{F}_0$.

This is trivial except possibly for two of the maps involved. For the map

$$\Phi : \mathcal{F}_0 \otimes (\mathcal{A} \oplus_{\kappa} \Sigma \mathcal{A}) \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \oplus_{\kappa \otimes \mathcal{A}} \Sigma(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A})$$

given by

$$\Phi(f' \otimes (x, \Sigma y)) = (\bar{f}' \otimes x, (-1)^{\deg(f')} \Sigma \bar{f}' \otimes y),$$

this amounts to checking that for any $f, f' \in \mathcal{F}_0$ and $x, y \in \mathcal{A}$ one must have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum (f_\ell \otimes f_r)(\bar{f}' \otimes x, (-1)^{\deg(f')} \Sigma \bar{f}' \otimes y) \\ &= \Phi((-1)^{\deg(f_r)\deg(f')} \sum f_\ell f' \otimes (\bar{f}'_r x, (-1)^{\deg(f_r)} \Sigma \bar{f}'_r y + \kappa(\bar{f}'_r)x)), \end{aligned}$$

where again the above Sweedler notation

$$\Delta(f) = \sum f_\ell \otimes f_r,$$

is used for the diagonal of \mathcal{F}_0 too, and \bar{f}' denotes $q_{\mathcal{F}}(f')$ by the notation in (4.5.1).

The left hand side expression then expands as

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum ((-1)^{\deg(f_r)\deg(f')} \bar{f}'_\ell \bar{f}' \otimes \bar{f}'_r x, \\ & (-1)^{\deg(f_r)\deg(f')} (-1)^{\deg(f')} (-1)^{\deg(f')} \Sigma \bar{f}'_\ell \bar{f}' \otimes \bar{f}'_r y + (-1)^{\deg(f_r)\deg(f')} \kappa(\bar{f}'_\ell) \bar{f}' \otimes \bar{f}'_r x) \end{aligned}$$

and the right hand side expands as

$$(-1)^{\deg(f_r)\deg(f')} \sum (\bar{f}'_\ell \bar{f}' \otimes \bar{f}'_r x, (-1)^{\deg(f_\ell f')} ((-1)^{\deg(f_r)} \Sigma \bar{f}'_\ell \bar{f}' \otimes \bar{f}'_r y + \bar{f}'_\ell \bar{f}' \otimes \kappa(\bar{f}'_r)x)).$$

Thus left equivariance of Φ is equivalent to the equality

$$\sum \kappa(\bar{f}'_\ell) \bar{f}' \otimes \bar{f}'_r x = \sum (-1)^{\deg(f_\ell f')} \bar{f}'_\ell \bar{f}' \otimes \kappa(\bar{f}'_r)x.$$

This is easily deduced from

$$\sum \kappa(\bar{f}'_\ell) \otimes \bar{f}'_r = \sum (-1)^{\deg(f_\ell)} \bar{f}'_\ell \otimes \kappa(\bar{f}'_r),$$

which is an instance of (4.6.7).

For another map

$$\Psi : (\mathcal{A} \oplus_{\kappa} \Sigma \mathcal{A}) \otimes \mathcal{F}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \oplus_{\kappa \otimes \mathcal{A}} \Sigma(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A})$$

given by

$$\Psi((x, \Sigma y) \otimes f') = (x \otimes \bar{f}', \Sigma y \otimes \bar{f}')$$

the equality to check is

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum (f_\ell \otimes f_r)(x \otimes \bar{f}', \Sigma y \otimes \bar{f}') \\ &= \Psi((-1)^{\deg(f_r)\deg(x, \Sigma y)} \sum (\bar{f}_\ell x, (-1)^{\deg(f_\ell)} \Sigma \bar{f}_\ell y + \varkappa(\bar{f}_\ell)x) \otimes f_r f'). \end{aligned}$$

Here the left hand side expands as

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum ((-1)^{\deg(f_r)\deg(x)} \bar{f}_\ell x \otimes \bar{f}_r \bar{f}'), \\ & (-1)^{\deg(f_r)\deg(\Sigma y)} (-1)^{\deg(f_\ell)} \bar{f}_\ell y \otimes \bar{f}_r \bar{f}' + (-1)^{\deg(f_r)\deg(x)} \varkappa(\bar{f}_\ell)x \otimes \bar{f}_r \bar{f}') \end{aligned}$$

and the right hand side expands as

$$(-1)^{\deg(f_r)\deg(x, \Sigma y)} \sum (\bar{f}_\ell x \otimes \bar{f}_r \bar{f}', (-1)^{\deg(f_\ell)} \Sigma \bar{f}_\ell y \otimes \bar{f}_r \bar{f}' + \varkappa(\bar{f}_\ell)x \otimes \bar{f}_r \bar{f}');$$

these two expressions are visibly the same. □

Given this left module structure on $(\mathcal{V} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{V})_1$, one can measure the deviation from left equivariance of the diagonal $\Delta_{\mathcal{V}} : \mathcal{V}_1 \rightarrow (\mathcal{V} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{V})_1$. For that, consider the map $\hat{L} : \mathcal{V}_0 \otimes \mathcal{V}_1 \rightarrow (\mathcal{V} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{V})_1$ given by

$$\hat{L}(f \otimes x) := \Delta_{\mathcal{V}}(fx) - f \cdot \Delta_{\mathcal{V}}(x),$$

for any $f \in \mathcal{F}_0 = \mathcal{V}_0, x \in \mathcal{V}_1$, where \cdot denotes the left \mathcal{F}_0 -module action defined in (4.6.9). Since the diagonal $\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}$ of $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ is left equivariant, it follows from (4.6.5) that the image of \hat{L} lies in the kernel of the map $q \hat{\otimes} q$, i. e. in $\Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$. Moreover if $f = \partial v_1$ for some $v_1 \in \mathcal{V}_1$, then one has

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{\mathcal{V}}(\partial(v_1)x) &= \Delta_{\mathcal{V}}(v_1 \partial x) = \Delta_{\mathcal{V}}(v_1) \Delta_{\mathcal{F}}(\partial x) = \Delta_{\mathcal{V}}(v_1) \partial_{\hat{\otimes}} \Delta_{\mathcal{V}}(x) \\ &= \partial_{\hat{\otimes}} \Delta_{\mathcal{V}}(v_1) \Delta_{\mathcal{V}}(x) = \Delta_{\mathcal{F}}(\partial v_1) \Delta_{\mathcal{V}}(x), \end{aligned}$$

so that the image of $\partial \otimes \mathcal{V}_1 : \mathcal{V}_1 \otimes \mathcal{V}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{V}_0 \otimes \mathcal{V}_1$ lies in the kernel of \hat{L} . Similarly commutativity of

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{V}_1 & \xrightarrow{\Delta_{\mathcal{V}}} & (\mathcal{V} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{V})_1 \\ \partial \downarrow & & \downarrow \partial_{\hat{\otimes}} \\ \mathcal{V}_0 & \xrightarrow{\Delta_{\mathcal{F}}} & \mathcal{V}_0 \otimes \mathcal{V}_0 \end{array} \tag{4.6.11}$$

implies that $\mathcal{V}_0 \otimes \ker \partial$ is in the kernel of \hat{L} . It then follows that L factors uniquely through a map

$$\mathcal{A} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} = (\mathcal{V}_0 / \text{im } \partial) \otimes (\mathcal{V}_1 / \ker \partial) \rightarrow \ker(q \hat{\otimes} q) = \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}.$$

Definition 4.6.12 The map

$$L_{\mathcal{V}} : \mathcal{A} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$$

given by the unique factorization of the map \hat{L} above is characterized by the deviation of the diagonal $\Delta_{\mathcal{V}}$ of the Hopf pair algebra \mathcal{V} from left equivariance. That is, one has

$$\Delta_{\mathcal{V}}(fx) = f \cdot \Delta_{\mathcal{V}}(x) + L_{\mathcal{V}}(\bar{f} \otimes \partial x)$$

for any $f \in \mathcal{F}_0 = \mathcal{V}_0$, $x \in \mathcal{V}_1$ and the action \cdot from (4.6.9).

Similarly one can measure the deviation of $\Delta_{\mathcal{V}} : \mathcal{V}_1 \rightarrow (\mathcal{V} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{V})_1$ from cocommutativity by means of the map $\hat{S} : \mathcal{V}_1 \rightarrow (\mathcal{V} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{V})_1$ given by

$$\hat{S}(x) := \Delta_{\mathcal{V}}(x) - T\Delta_{\mathcal{V}}(x),$$

where $T : (\mathcal{V} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{V})_1 \rightarrow (\mathcal{V} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{V})_1$ is the interchange operator for $\mathbf{Alg}_{\mathbb{1} \oplus \Sigma}^r$ as constructed in (4.3.13). Then similarly to \hat{L} above, \hat{S} admits a factorization in the following way. First, by commutativity of (4.6.5) one has

$$(q \hat{\otimes} q)T\Delta_{\mathcal{V}} = T(q \hat{\otimes} q)\Delta_{\mathcal{V}} = T\Delta_{\mathcal{R}q} = \Delta_{\mathcal{R}q} = (q \hat{\otimes} q)\Delta_{\mathcal{V}},$$

since the $\mathbf{Alg}_{\mathbb{1}}^{pair}$ -comonoid $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ is cocommutative. Thus the image of \hat{S} is contained in $\ker(q \hat{\otimes} q) = \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$. Next, commutativity of (4.6.11) implies that $\ker \partial$ is contained in the kernel of \hat{S} . Hence \hat{S} factors uniquely as follows

$$R_{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{V}_1 / \ker \partial \rightarrow \ker(q \hat{\otimes} q) = \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}.$$

Definition 4.6.13 The map

$$S_{\mathcal{V}} : R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$$

given by the unique factorization of the map \hat{S} above is characterized by the deviation of the diagonal $\Delta_{\mathcal{V}}$ of the Hopf pair algebra \mathcal{V} from cocommutativity. That is, one has

$$T\Delta_{\mathcal{V}}(x) = \Delta_{\mathcal{V}}(x) + S_{\mathcal{V}}(\partial x)$$

for any $x \in \mathcal{V}_1$.

It is clear from these definitions that $L_{\mathcal{V}}$ and $S_{\mathcal{V}}$ are well defined maps by the Hopf pair algebra \mathcal{V} . Below in (6.1.5) we define the left action operator $L : \mathcal{A} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$ and the symmetry operator $S : R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$ with $L = 0$ and $S = 0$ if p is odd. For $p = 2$ these operators are quite intricate but explicitly given. We also will study the dualization of S and L .

The next two results are essentially reformulations of the main results in the book [3].

Theorem 4.6.14 (Existence) *There exists a Hopf pair algebra \mathcal{V} with $L_{\mathcal{V}} = L$ and $S_{\mathcal{V}} = S$.*

Theorem 4.6.15 (Uniqueness) *The Hopf pair algebra \mathcal{V} satisfying $L_{\mathcal{V}} = L$ and $S_{\mathcal{V}} = S$ is unique up to an isomorphism over the \mathbb{G} -structure $\mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ and under the kernel $\mathcal{A} \oplus_{\varkappa} \Sigma \mathcal{A} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{V}$.*

The Hopf pair algebra appearing in these theorems is the algebra of secondary cohomology operations over \mathbb{F} , denoted by $\mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{F}} = (\mathcal{B}_1^{\mathbb{F}} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_0^{\mathbb{F}}) = \mathcal{B} \otimes \mathbb{F}$. The algebra \mathcal{B} has been defined over \mathbb{G} in [3].

Proof of (4.6.14): Recall that in [3, 12.1.8] a folding product $\hat{\otimes}$ is defined for pair \mathbb{G} -algebras in such a way that \mathcal{B} has a comonoid structure with respect to it, i. e. a secondary Hopf algebra structure. Let

$$\Delta_1 : \mathcal{B}_1 \rightarrow (\mathcal{B} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{B})_1$$

be the corresponding secondary diagonal from [3, (12.2.2)]. It is proved in [3, 14.4] that the left action operator L satisfies

$$\Delta_1(bx) = b\Delta_1(x) + L(q(b) \otimes (\partial x \otimes 1))$$

for $b \in \mathcal{B}_0, x \in \mathcal{B}_1, \partial x \otimes 1 \in R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathbb{F} = \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}}$. Also in [3, 14.5] it is proved that the symmetry operator S satisfies

$$T\Delta_1(x) = \Delta_1(x) + S(\partial x \otimes 1)$$

for $x \in \mathcal{B}_1$. Moreover it is proved in [3, 15.3.13] that the secondary Hopf algebra \mathcal{B} is determined uniquely up to isomorphism by the maps \varkappa, L and S .

Consider now the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \Sigma \mathcal{A} & \xlongequal{\quad} & \Sigma \mathcal{A} & & & & \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \\
 \mathcal{A} \oplus_{\varkappa} \Sigma \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{i_x} & \mathcal{B}_1 \otimes \mathbb{F} & \xrightarrow{\partial \otimes 1} & \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathbb{F} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{A} \\
 \downarrow q & & \downarrow q = \partial \otimes 1 & & \parallel & & \parallel \\
 \mathcal{A} & \longrightarrow & R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathbb{F} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{F}_0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{A}
 \end{array}$$

Here the inclusion $i_x : \mathcal{A} \oplus_{\varkappa} \Sigma \mathcal{A} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{B}_1 \otimes \mathbb{F}$ is given by the inclusion $\Sigma \mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{B}_1$ and by the map

$$\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_1 \otimes \mathbb{F}$$

which assigns to an element $q(b) \in \mathcal{A}$, for $b \in \mathcal{B}_0$, the element $[p] \cdot b \otimes 1$. Then it is clear that i_x is a right \mathcal{A} -module homomorphism. Moreover it is also a left \mathcal{A} -module homomorphism since for $b \in \mathcal{B}_0$ the following identity holds in \mathcal{B}_1 :

$$b \cdot [p] - [p] \cdot b = \kappa(b).$$

Compare [3, A20 in the introduction]. Now one can check that the properties of \mathcal{B} established in [3] yield the result. □

Remark 4.6.16 For elements $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathcal{A}$ with $\alpha\beta = 0$ and $\beta\gamma = 0$ the *triple Massey product*

$$\langle \alpha, \beta, \gamma \rangle \in \mathcal{A} / (\alpha\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{A}\gamma)$$

is defined. Here the degree of elements in $\langle \alpha, \beta, \gamma \rangle$ is $\deg(\alpha) + \deg(\beta) + \deg(\gamma) - 1$. We can compute $\langle \alpha, \beta, \gamma \rangle$ by use of the Hopf pair algebra $\mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{F}}$ above as follows. For this we consider the maps

$$\mathcal{A} \xleftarrow{q_{\mathcal{B}}} \mathcal{B}_0 \supset R_{\mathcal{B}} \xrightarrow{q_R} R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathbb{F}.$$

We choose elements $\bar{\alpha}, \bar{\beta}, \bar{\gamma} \in \mathcal{B}_0$ which $q_{\mathcal{B}}$ carries to α, β, γ respectively. Then we know that the products $\bar{\alpha}\bar{\beta}, \bar{\beta}\bar{\gamma}$ are elements in $R_{\mathcal{B}}$ for which we can choose elements $x, y \in \mathcal{B}_1 \otimes \mathbb{F}$ with

$$\begin{aligned} q(x) &= q_R(\bar{\alpha}\bar{\beta}), \\ q(y) &= q_R(\bar{\beta}\bar{\gamma}). \end{aligned}$$

Then the bimodule structure of $\mathcal{B}_1 \otimes \mathbb{F}$ yields the element $\bar{\alpha}y - x\bar{\gamma}$ in the kernel $\Sigma\mathcal{A}$ of $q : \mathcal{B}_1 \otimes \mathbb{F} \rightarrow R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathbb{F}$. Now $\bar{\alpha}y - x\bar{\gamma} \in \Sigma\mathcal{A}$ represents $\langle \alpha, \beta, \gamma \rangle$, see [3].

4.7. The dual of the \mathbb{G} -relation pair algebra

We next turn to the dualization of the \mathbb{G} -relation pair algebra of the Steenrod algebra from section 4.5.

For this we just apply the duality functor D to (4.5.2). There results an exact sequence

$$\mathcal{A}_* \longrightarrow \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}^0 \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}^1 \longrightarrow \mathcal{A}_*,$$

i. e. the sequence

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathcal{A}_* & \longrightarrow & D(\mathcal{R}_0^{\mathbb{F}}) & \xrightarrow{D(\partial)} & D(\mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}}) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{A}_* \\ & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \\ & & \text{Hom}(\mathcal{F}_0, \mathbb{F}) & & \text{Hom}(R_{\mathcal{B}}, \mathbb{F}) & & \end{array} \tag{4.7.1}$$

In particular, by the dual of (4.5.3) one has

Lemma 4.7.2 *The pair $\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}} = (d : \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}^0 \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}^1)$ has a pair coalgebra structure compatible with the standard bicomodule structure of \mathcal{A}_* over itself, so that $\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}$ yields an object in $\mathbf{Coalg}_{\mathbb{1}}^{pair}$, see section 4.4.*

Moreover the dual of (4.5.4) takes place, i. e. one has

Theorem 4.7.3 *The pair coalgebra $\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}$ has a structure of a commutative monoid in the category $\mathbf{Coalg}_{\mathbb{1}}^{pair}$ with respect to the unfolding product $\check{\otimes}$.* □

The proof uses the duals of the pair algebras $\mathcal{R}^{(n)}$, $n \geq 0$, from (4.5.4). Namely, applying to the short exact sequence

$$R_{\mathcal{B}}^{(n)} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{B}_0^{\otimes n} \xrightarrow{q^{\otimes n}} \mathcal{A}^{\otimes n}$$

the functor $D = \text{Hom}(_, \mathbb{F})$ gives, similarly to (4.7.2), a pair coalgebra

$$\mathcal{R}_*^{(n)} = \left(\mathcal{A}_*^{\otimes n} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{F}_*^{\otimes n} \longrightarrow R_{\mathcal{B}*}^{(n)} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{A}_*^{\otimes n} \right)$$

such that the following dual of (4.5.5) holds:

Lemma 4.7.4 *There is a canonical isomorphism $\mathcal{R}_*^{(n)} \cong (\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}})^{\check{\otimes} n}$ in $\mathbf{Coalg}_{\mathbb{1}}^{pair}$.* □

Using this lemma one constructs the $\check{\otimes}$ -monoid structure on $\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}$ by the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathcal{F}_* \otimes \mathcal{F}_* & \xlongequal{\quad} & \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}^0 \otimes \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}^0 & \xrightarrow{d_{\check{\otimes}}} & (\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}} \check{\otimes} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}})^1 & \xrightarrow{\cong} & R_{\mathcal{B}*}^{(2)} \\ \downarrow \Delta_* & & \downarrow \mu & & \downarrow \mu & & \downarrow \Delta_*^{\mathbb{G}} \\ \mathcal{F}_* & \xlongequal{\quad} & \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}^0 & \xrightarrow{d} & \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}^1 & \xlongequal{\quad} & R_{\mathcal{B}*} \end{array}$$

with $\Delta^{\mathbb{G}}$ as in (4.5.6).

Moreover the unit of $\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}$ is given by the dual of (4.5.7), i. e. by the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathbb{F} & \xlongequal{\quad} & \mathbb{F} & \xrightarrow{0} & \mathbb{F} & \xlongequal{\quad} & \mathbb{F} \\ \downarrow 1 & & \downarrow 1 & & \downarrow \downarrow & & \downarrow 1 \\ \mathcal{A}_* & \twoheadrightarrow & \mathcal{F}_* & \longrightarrow & R_{\mathcal{B}*} & \twoheadrightarrow & \mathcal{A}_* \end{array}$$

so that the unit element of $R_{\mathcal{B}*}$ is the map $R_{\mathcal{B}} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ sending the generator $p1_{\mathcal{B}_0}$ in degree 0 to 1 and all elements in higher degrees to zero.

4.8. Hopf pair coalgebras

We next turn to the dualization of the notion of a Hopf pair algebra from (4.6.3), using the dual $\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}$ of $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ from the previous section.

Definition 4.8.1 A Hopf pair coalgebra \mathcal{W} (associated to \mathcal{A}_*) is a pair coalgebra $d : \mathcal{W}^0 \rightarrow \mathcal{W}^1$ over \mathbb{F} together with the following commutative diagram in the category of $\mathcal{F}_* \text{-} \mathcal{F}_*$ -bicomodules

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \mathcal{A}_* & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}^0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}^1 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{A}_* \\
 \parallel & & \parallel & & \downarrow i & & \downarrow i \\
 \mathcal{A}_* & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{W}^0 & \xrightarrow{d} & \mathcal{W}^1 & \xrightarrow{(\pi_{\Sigma})} & \mathcal{A}_* \oplus_{\kappa_*} \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \\
 & & & & \downarrow \pi_{\Sigma} & & \downarrow \\
 & & & & \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* & \xlongequal{\quad} & \Sigma \mathcal{A}_*
 \end{array}$$

with exact rows and columns. The pair morphism $i : \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}$ will be called the \mathbb{G} -structure of \mathcal{W} . Moreover \mathcal{W} must be equipped with a structure of a monoid $(m_{\mathcal{W}}, 1_{\mathcal{W}})$ in $\mathbf{Coalg}_{\mathbb{1} \oplus \Sigma}^r$ such that i is compatible with the $\mathbf{Coalg}_{\mathbb{1}}^{pair}$ -monoid structure on $\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}$ from (4.7.3), i. e. diagrams dual to (4.6.5) and (4.6.6)

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}} \check{\otimes} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}})^1 & \xrightarrow{m_{\mathcal{R}}} & \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}^1 \\
 i \check{\otimes} i \downarrow & & \downarrow i \\
 (\mathcal{W} \check{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^1 & \xrightarrow{m_{\mathcal{W}}} & \mathcal{W}^1,
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathbb{F} & \xrightarrow{1_{\mathcal{R}}} & \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}^1 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow i \\
 \mathbb{F} \oplus \Sigma \mathbb{F} & \xrightarrow{1_{\mathcal{W}}} & \mathcal{W}^1
 \end{array}$$

commute.

We next note that the dual of (4.6.9) holds; more precisely, one has

Lemma 4.8.2 For a Hopf pair coalgebra \mathcal{W} the subspace

$$(\mathcal{W} \check{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^1 \subset (\mathcal{W} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^1$$

is closed under the left coaction of the coalgebra \mathcal{F}_* on $(\mathcal{W} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^1$ given by the corestriction of scalars along the multiplication $m_* : \mathcal{F}_* \otimes \mathcal{F}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_*$ of the left $\mathcal{F}_* \otimes \mathcal{F}_* = (\mathcal{W} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^0$ -comodule structure given by the pair coalgebra $\mathcal{W} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{W}$. In other words, there is a unique map $m^{\ell} : (\mathcal{W} \check{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^1 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_* \otimes (\mathcal{W} \check{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^1$ making the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (\mathcal{W} \check{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^1 & \xrightarrow{\quad m^{\ell} \quad} & \mathcal{F}_* \otimes (\mathcal{W} \check{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^1 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 (\mathcal{W} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^1 & \xrightarrow{\quad m_* \otimes 1 \quad} & \mathcal{F}_* \otimes (\mathcal{W} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^1
 \end{array}$$

commute.

□

Given this left coaction, one can define the dual of the left action operator in (4.6.12) by measuring deviation of the multiplication $(\mathcal{W} \check{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^1 \rightarrow \mathcal{W}^1$ from being a left comodule homomorphism. For that, one first observes that the map $\check{L} : (\mathcal{W} \check{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^1 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_* \otimes \mathcal{W}^1$ is given by the difference of two composites in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (\mathcal{W} \check{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^1 & \xrightarrow{m^\ell} & \mathcal{F}_* \otimes (\mathcal{W} \check{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^1 \\
 m_{\mathcal{W}} \downarrow & & \downarrow 1 \otimes m_{\mathcal{W}} \\
 \mathcal{W}^1 & \xrightarrow{m^\ell} & \mathcal{F}_* \otimes \mathcal{W}^1.
 \end{array}$$

Then by the argument dual to that before (4.6.12) one sees that the map \check{L} factors uniquely through $\text{coker}(i \check{\otimes} i) = ((\mathcal{W} \check{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^1 \rightarrow \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_*)$ and into $\text{ker}(d) \otimes \text{im}(d) = (\mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}_*} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{W}^0 \otimes \mathcal{W}^1)$ to yield a map $\Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}_*}$. We thus can make, dually to (4.6.12), the following

Definition 4.8.3 The map

$$L_{\mathcal{W}} : \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}_*}$$

given by the unique factorization of the map \check{L} above is characterized by the deviation of the multiplication $m_{\mathcal{W}}$ of the Hopf pair coalgebra \mathcal{W} from being a left \mathcal{F}_* -comodule homomorphism. That is, for any $t \in (\mathcal{W} \check{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^1$ one has

$$(1 \otimes m_{\mathcal{W}})m^\ell(t) = m^\ell m_{\mathcal{W}}(t) + L_{\mathcal{W}}(\pi_\Sigma \check{\otimes} \pi_\Sigma)(t).$$

Next, we define a map $S_{\mathcal{W}}$ in a manner dual to (4.6.13), measuring noncommutativity of the $\mathbf{Coalg}_{1 \oplus \Sigma}^r$ -monoid structure on \mathcal{W} . For that, we first consider the map $\check{S} : (\mathcal{W} \check{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^1 \rightarrow \mathcal{W}^1$ given by

$$\check{S}(t) = m_{\mathcal{W}} T(t) - m_{\mathcal{W}}(t)$$

for $t \in (\mathcal{W} \check{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^1$ and then observe that, dually to (4.6.13), this map factors uniquely through $\text{coker}(i \check{\otimes} i) = ((\mathcal{W} \check{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^1 \rightarrow \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_*)$ and into $\text{im}(d) = (R_{\mathcal{F}_*} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{W}^1)$ so we have

Definition 4.8.4 The map

$$S_{\mathcal{W}} : \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}_*}$$

given by the unique factorization of the map \check{S} above is characterized by being the graded commutator map with respect to the $\check{\otimes}$ -monoid structure on the Hopf pair coalgebra \mathcal{W} . That is, for any $t \in (\mathcal{W} \check{\otimes} \mathcal{W})^1$ one has

$$m_{\mathcal{W}}T(t) = m_{\mathcal{W}}(t) + S_{\mathcal{W}}(\pi_{\Sigma} \check{\otimes} \pi_{\Sigma})(t).$$

We now dualize the left action operator (6.1.5) and the symmetry operator (6.2.1).

Definition 4.8.5 *The left coaction operator*

$$L_* : \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*}$$

of degree +1 is the graded dual of the left action operator (6.1.5).

Definition 4.8.6 *The cosymertry operator*

$$S_* : \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}*}$$

of degree +1 is the graded dual of the symmetry operator (6.2.1).

It is clear that the duals of (4.6.14) and (4.6.15) hold. Let us state these explicitly.

Theorem 4.8.7 (Existence) *There exists a Hopf pair coalgebra \mathcal{W} with $L_{\mathcal{W}} = L_*$ and $S_{\mathcal{W}} = S_*$.*

Theorem 4.8.8 (Uniqueness) *The Hopf pair coalgebra \mathcal{W} satisfying $L_{\mathcal{W}} = L_*$ and $S_{\mathcal{W}} = S_*$ is unique up to an isomorphism over $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \oplus_{\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{F}}} \Sigma \mathcal{A}_*$ and under $\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{W}$.*

The Hopf pair coalgebra appearing in these theorems will be denoted by $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{F}} = (\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{F}}^0 \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{F}}^1) = D(\mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{F}})$.

5. Generators of $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{F}}$ and dual generators of $\mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{F}}$

In this chapter we describe polynomial generators in the dual Steenrod algebra \mathcal{A}_* and in the dual of the free tensor algebra $T_{\mathbb{F}}(E_{\mathcal{A}})$ with the Cartan diagonal. We use these results to obtain generators in the dual of the relation module $R_{\mathcal{F}}$.

5.1. The Milnor dual of the Steenrod algebra

Here we recall the needed facts from [15]. The graded dual of the Hopf algebra \mathcal{A} is the Milnor Hopf algebra $\mathcal{A}_* = \text{Hom}(\mathcal{A}, \mathbb{F}) = D(\mathcal{A})$. It is proved in [15] that for odd p as an algebra \mathcal{A}_* is a graded polynomial algebra, i. e. it is isomorphic to a tensor product of an exterior algebra on generators of odd degree and a polynomial

algebra on generators of even degree; for $p = 2$ the algebra \mathcal{A}_* is a polynomial algebra. Moreover, in [15], explicit generators are given in terms of the admissible basis.

First recall that the admissible basis for \mathcal{A} is given by the following monomials: for odd p they are of the form

$$M = \beta^{\epsilon_0} P^{s_1} \beta^{\epsilon_1} P^{s_2} \dots P^{s_n} \beta^{\epsilon_n}$$

where $\epsilon_k \in \{0, 1\}$ and

$$s_1 \geq \epsilon_1 + p s_2, s_2 \geq \epsilon_2 + p s_3, \dots, s_{n-1} \geq \epsilon_{n-1} + p s_n, s_n \geq 1.$$

Then let $\xi_k \in \mathcal{A}_{2(p^k-1)} = \text{Hom}(\mathcal{A}^{2(p^k-1)}, \mathbb{F})$, $k \geq 1$ and $\tau_k \in \mathcal{A}_{2p^k-1} = \text{Hom}(\mathcal{A}^{2p^k-1}, \mathbb{F})$, $k \geq 0$ be given on this basis by

$$\xi_k(M) = \begin{cases} 1, & M = P^{p^{k-1}} P^{p^{k-2}} \dots P^p P^1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \tag{5.1.1}$$

and

$$\tau_k(M) = \begin{cases} 1, & M = P^{p^{k-1}} P^{p^{k-2}} \dots P^p P^1 \beta, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \tag{5.1.2}$$

As proved in [15], \mathcal{A}_* is a graded polynomial algebra on these elements, i. e. it is generated by the elements ξ_k and τ_k with the defining relations

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_i \xi_j &= \xi_j \xi_i, \\ \xi_i \tau_j &= \tau_j \xi_i, \\ \tau_i \tau_j &= -\tau_j \tau_i \end{aligned}$$

only.

For $p = 2$, the admissible basis for \mathcal{A} is given by the monomials

$$M = \text{Sq}^{s_1} \text{Sq}^{s_2} \dots \text{Sq}^{s_n}$$

with

$$s_1 \geq 2s_2, s_2 \geq 2s_3, \dots, s_{n-1} \geq 2s_n, s_n \geq 1$$

and the polynomial generators of \mathcal{A}_* are elements $\zeta_k \in \mathcal{A}_{2^k-1} = \text{Hom}(\mathcal{A}^{2^k-1}, \mathbb{F})$ given by

$$\zeta_k(M) = \begin{cases} 1, & M = \text{Sq}^{2^{k-1}} \text{Sq}^{2^{k-2}} \dots \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \tag{5.1.3}$$

In terms of these generators, likewise, the coalgebra structure $m_* : \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_*$ dual to the multiplication m of \mathcal{A} is determined in [15]. Namely, for odd p one has

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_*(\xi_k) &= \xi_k \otimes 1 + \xi_{k-1}^p \otimes \xi_1 + \xi_{k-2}^{p^2} \otimes \xi_2 + \dots + \xi_1^{p^{k-1}} \otimes \xi_{k-1} + 1 \otimes \xi_k, \\
 m_*(\tau_k) &= \xi_k \otimes \tau_0 + \xi_{k-1}^p \otimes \tau_1 + \xi_{k-2}^{p^2} \otimes \tau_2 + \dots + \xi_1^{p^{k-1}} \otimes \tau_{k-1} + 1 \otimes \tau_k + \tau_k \otimes 1.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{5.1.4}$$

For $p = 2$ one has

$$m_*(\zeta_k) = \zeta_k \otimes 1 + \zeta_{k-1}^2 \otimes \zeta_1 + \zeta_{k-2}^4 \otimes \zeta_2 + \dots + \zeta_1^{2^{k-1}} \otimes \zeta_{k-1} + 1 \otimes \zeta_k.
 \tag{5.1.5}$$

We will need an expression for the dual $\text{Sq}_*^1 : \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \Sigma \mathcal{A}_*$ to the map $\text{Sq}^1 \cdot : \Sigma \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ given by multiplication with Sq^1 from the left.

Lemma 5.1.6 *The map Sq_*^1 is equal to $\frac{\partial}{\partial \zeta_1}$. That is, on the monomial basis it is given by*

$$\text{Sq}_*^1(\zeta_1^{n_1} \zeta_2^{n_2} \dots) = \begin{cases} \zeta_1^{n_1-1} \zeta_2^{n_2} \dots, & n_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{2} \\ 0, & n_1 \equiv 0 \pmod{2}. \end{cases}$$

Proof: Note that Sq_*^1 is a derivation, since $\text{Sq}^1 \cdot$ is a coderivation, i.e. the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \Sigma \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\text{Sq}^1 \cdot} & \mathcal{A} \\
 \Sigma \delta \downarrow & & \downarrow \delta \\
 \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} \text{Sq}^1 \cdot \otimes 1 \\ 1 \otimes \text{Sq}^1 \end{pmatrix}} \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \xrightarrow{+} & \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}
 \end{array}$$

commutes: indeed for any $x \in \mathcal{A}$ one has

$$\delta(\text{Sq}^1 x) = \delta(\text{Sq}^1) \delta(x) = (\text{Sq}^1 \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \text{Sq}^1) \delta(x) = (\text{Sq}^1 \otimes 1) \delta(x) + (1 \otimes \text{Sq}^1) \delta(x).$$

On the other hand, the derivation on the Milnor generators Sq_*^1 acts as follows:

$$\text{Sq}_*^1(\zeta_n)(x) = \zeta_n(\text{Sq}^1 x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{Sq}^1 x = \text{Sq}^{2^{n-1}} \text{Sq}^{2^{n-2}} \dots \text{Sq}^1, \\ 0, & \text{Sq}^1 x \neq \text{Sq}^{2^{n-1}} \text{Sq}^{2^{n-2}} \dots \text{Sq}^1. \end{cases}$$

It follows that $\text{Sq}_*^1(\zeta_1) = 1$; on the other hand for $n > 1$ the equation $\text{Sq}^1 x = \text{Sq}^{2^{n-1}} \text{Sq}^{2^{n-2}} \dots \text{Sq}^1$ has no solutions, since it would imply $\text{Sq}^1 \text{Sq}^{2^{n-1}} \text{Sq}^{2^{n-2}} \dots \text{Sq}^1 = \text{Sq}^1 \text{Sq}^1 x = 0$, whereas actually

$$\text{Sq}^1 \text{Sq}^{2^{n-1}} \text{Sq}^{2^{n-2}} \dots \text{Sq}^1 = \text{Sq}^{1+2^{n-1}} \text{Sq}^{2^{n-2}} \dots \text{Sq}^1 \neq 0.$$

But $\frac{\partial}{\partial \zeta_1}$ is the unique derivation sending ζ_1 to 1 and all other ζ_n 's to 0. □

We will also need expression of the dual κ_* of the derivation κ from (4.6.1) in terms of the above generators.

Lemma 5.1.7 *The map $\kappa_* : \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_*$ is equal to the left multiplication by τ_0 for odd p and by ζ_1 for $p = 2$.*

Proof: For any linear map $\phi : \mathcal{A}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ the map $\kappa_*(\phi) : \mathcal{A}_{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ is the composite of ϕ with $\kappa : \mathcal{A}_{n+1} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_n$. Thus for p odd one has

$$\begin{aligned} & \kappa_*(\phi)(\beta^{\epsilon_0} \mathbf{P}^{s_1} \beta^{\epsilon_1} \mathbf{P}^{s_2} \dots \mathbf{P}^{s_n} \beta^{\epsilon_n}) \\ &= \sum_{\epsilon_k=1} (-1)^{\epsilon_0+\epsilon_1+\dots+\epsilon_{k-1}} \phi(\beta^{\epsilon_0} \mathbf{P}^{s_1} \beta^{\epsilon_1} \dots \beta^{\epsilon_{k-1}} \mathbf{P}^{s_k} \mathbf{P}^{s_{k+1}} \beta^{\epsilon_{k+1}} \dots \mathbf{P}^{s_n} \beta^{\epsilon_n}) \end{aligned} \tag{5.1.8}$$

On the other hand, one has for M as above

$$(\tau_0\phi)(M) = \sum_{\substack{M_\ell=c\beta \\ 0 \neq c \in \mathbb{F}}} \tau_0(M_\ell)\phi(M_r) = \sum_{\substack{M_\ell=c\beta \\ 0 \neq c \in \mathbb{F}}} c\phi(M_r),$$

if

$$\delta(M) = \sum M_\ell \otimes M_r.$$

On the other hand one evidently has

$$\begin{aligned} & \delta(\beta^{\epsilon_0} \mathbf{P}^{s_1} \beta^{\epsilon_1} \mathbf{P}^{s_2} \dots \mathbf{P}^{s_n} \beta^{\epsilon_n}) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{0 \leq l_0 \leq \epsilon_0 \\ 0 \leq i_1 \leq s_1 \\ 0 \leq l_1 \leq \epsilon_1 \\ \dots \\ 0 \leq i_n \leq s_n \\ 0 \leq l_n \leq \epsilon_n}} (-1)^{\sum_{0 \leq \mu < \nu \leq n} (\epsilon_\mu - l_\mu) l_\nu} \beta^{l_0} \mathbf{P}^{i_1} \beta^{l_1} \dots \mathbf{P}^{i_n} \beta^{l_n} \otimes \beta^{\epsilon_0 - l_0} \mathbf{P}^{s_1 - i_1} \beta^{\epsilon_1 - l_1} \dots \mathbf{P}^{s_n - i_n} \beta^{\epsilon_n - l_n} \end{aligned}$$

so that for $M = \beta^{\epsilon_0} \mathbf{P}^{s_1} \beta^{\epsilon_1} \dots \mathbf{P}^{s_n} \beta^{\epsilon_n}$ one has

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{M_\ell=c\beta \\ 0 \neq c \in \mathbb{F}}} c\phi(M_r) \\ &= \sum_{\epsilon_k=1} \sum_{\substack{l_0=0 \\ i_1=0 \\ \dots \\ i_k=0 \\ i_k=1 \\ i_{k+1}=0 \\ \dots \\ i_n=0 \\ l_n=0}} (-1)^{\sum_{0 \leq \mu < k} \epsilon_\mu} \phi(\beta^{\epsilon_0 - l_0} \mathbf{P}^{s_1 - i_1} \beta^{\epsilon_1 - l_1} \dots \mathbf{P}^{s_n - i_n} \beta^{\epsilon_n - l_n}) \\ &= \sum_{\epsilon_k=1} (-1)^{\sum_{0 \leq \mu < k} \epsilon_\mu} \phi(\beta^{\epsilon_0} \mathbf{P}^{s_1} \beta^{\epsilon_1} \dots \mathbf{P}^{s_k} \mathbf{P}^{s_{k+1}} \beta^{\epsilon_{k+1}} \dots \mathbf{P}^{s_n} \beta^{\epsilon_n}) \end{aligned}$$

which is the same as (5.1.8) above.

Similarly for $p = 2$ the map $\varkappa_*(\phi)$ is given by

$$\varkappa_*(\phi)(\text{Sq}^{s_1} \dots \text{Sq}^{s_n}) = \phi(\varkappa(\text{Sq}^{s_1} \dots \text{Sq}^{s_n})) = \sum_{k=1}^n \phi(\text{Sq}^{s_1} \dots \text{Sq}^{s_k-1} \dots \text{Sq}^{s_n}) \quad (5.1.9)$$

and the map $\zeta_1\phi$ is given by

$$(\zeta_1\phi)(M) = \sum \zeta_1(M_\ell)\phi(M_r) = \sum_{M_\ell=\text{Sq}^1} \phi(M_r).$$

On the other hand one has

$$\delta(\text{Sq}^{s_1} \dots \text{Sq}^{s_n}) = \sum_{\substack{0 \leq i_1 \leq s_1 \\ \dots \\ 0 \leq i_n \leq s_n}} \text{Sq}^{i_1} \dots \text{Sq}^{i_n} \otimes \text{Sq}^{s_1-i_1} \dots \text{Sq}^{s_n-i_n},$$

so that for $M = \text{Sq}^{s_1} \dots \text{Sq}^{s_n}$ one has

$$\sum_{M_\ell=\text{Sq}^1} \phi(M_r) = \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{\substack{i_1=0 \\ \dots \\ i_{k-1}=0 \\ i_k=1 \\ i_{k+1}=0 \\ \dots \\ i_n=0}} \phi(\text{Sq}^{s_1-i_1} \dots \text{Sq}^{s_n-i_n})$$

which is equal to (5.1.9). □

It is clear that with respect to the coalgebra structure on \mathcal{A}_* the map \varkappa_* is a coderivation, i. e. the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* & \xrightarrow{\varkappa_*} & \mathcal{A}_* \\ \Sigma m_* \downarrow & & \downarrow m_* \\ \Sigma(\mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_*) & \xrightarrow{(\sigma)} \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \oplus \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \xrightarrow{(\varkappa_* \otimes 1, 1 \otimes \varkappa_*)} & \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \end{array}$$

is commutative. Here σ is the interchange of Σ as in (4.3.3). Then using dual of the construction mentioned in (4.6.2) one may equip the vector space $\mathcal{A}_* \oplus \Sigma \mathcal{A}_*$ with a structure of an \mathcal{A}_* - \mathcal{A}_* -bicomodule, in such a way that one has a short exact sequence of \mathcal{A}_* - \mathcal{A}_* -bicomodules

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \oplus_{\varkappa_*} \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow 0. \quad (5.1.10)$$

Explicitly, one defines the right coaction of \mathcal{A}_* on $\mathcal{A}_* \oplus_{\varkappa_*} \Sigma \mathcal{A}_*$ as the direct sum of standard coactions on \mathcal{A}_* and on $\Sigma \mathcal{A}_*$, whereas the left coaction is given by the composite

$$\mathcal{A}_* \oplus \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \xrightarrow{m_* \oplus \Sigma m_*} \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \oplus \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varkappa_* \otimes 1 \\ 0 & \sigma \end{pmatrix}} \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \oplus \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \cong \mathcal{A}_* \otimes (\mathcal{A}_* \oplus \Sigma \mathcal{A}_*).$$

5.2. The dual of the tensor algebra $\mathcal{F}_0 = T_{\mathbb{F}}(E_{\mathcal{A}})$ for $p = 2$

We begin by recalling the constructions from [11] relevant to our case.

The *Leibniz-Hopf algebra* is the free graded associative ring with unit $1 = Z_0$

$$\mathcal{L} = T_{\mathbb{Z}}\{Z_1, Z_2, \dots\} \tag{5.2.1}$$

on generators Z_n , one for each degree $n \geq 1$. Here we use notation as in (4.5.1). \mathcal{L} is a cocommutative Hopf algebra with respect to the diagonal

$$\Delta(Z_n) = \sum_{i=0}^n Z_i \otimes Z_{n-i}.$$

Of course for $p = 2$ we have $\mathcal{L} \otimes \mathbb{F} = \mathcal{F}_0 = T_{\mathbb{Z}}(E_{\mathcal{A}})$ by identifying $Z_i = \text{Sq}^i$, and moreover the diagonal Δ corresponds to $\Delta^{\mathbb{G}} \otimes \mathbb{F}$ in (4.5.6). The graded dual of \mathcal{L} over the integers is denoted by \mathcal{M} ; it is proved in [11] that it is a polynomial algebra. There also a certain set of elements of \mathcal{M} is given; it is still a conjecture (first formulated by Ditters) that these elements form a set of polynomial generators for \mathcal{M} . If, however, one localizes at any prime p , then there is another set of elements, defined using the so called *p-elementary words*, which, as proved in [11], is a set of polynomial generators for the localized algebra \mathcal{M} . This in particular gives a polynomial generating set for $\mathcal{F}_* = \text{Hom}(\mathcal{F}_0, \mathbb{F}_2) \cong \mathcal{M} / 2\mathcal{M}$. Moreover it turns out that the embedding $\mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_*$ given by $\text{Hom}(\mathcal{A}, \mathbb{F}_2) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\mathcal{F}_0, \mathbb{F}_2)$ (dual to the quotient map $\mathcal{F}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$) carries the Milnor generators of \mathcal{A}_* to a subset of these generators.

Choose a basis in \mathcal{M} which is dual to the (noncommutative) monomial basis in \mathcal{L} : for any sequence $\alpha = (d_1, \dots, d_n)$ of positive integers, let $M_{\alpha} = M_{d_1, \dots, d_n}$ be the element of the free abelian group $\mathcal{M}^{d_1 + \dots + d_n} = \text{Hom}(\mathcal{L}^{d_1 + \dots + d_n}, \mathbb{Z})$ determined by

$$M_{d_1, \dots, d_n}(Z_{k_1} \cdots Z_{k_m}) = \begin{cases} 1, & (k_1, \dots, k_m) = (d_1, \dots, d_n), \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Since \mathcal{L} is a free algebra, dually \mathcal{M} is a cofree coalgebra, i. e. the diagonal is given by deconcatenation:

$$\Delta(M_{d_1, \dots, d_n}) = \sum_{i=0}^n M_{d_1, \dots, d_i} \otimes M_{d_{i+1}, \dots, d_n}. \tag{5.2.2}$$

It is noted in [11] (and easy to check) that in this basis the multiplication in \mathcal{M} is given by the so called *overlapping shuffle product*. Rather than defining this

rigorously, we will give some examples.

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_5 M_{2,4,1,9} &= M_{5,2,4,1,9} + M_{7,4,1,9} + M_{2,5,4,1,9} + M_{2,9,1,9} + M_{2,4,5,1,9} + M_{2,4,6,9} \\
 &\quad + M_{2,4,1,5,9} + M_{2,4,1,14} + M_{2,4,1,9,5}; \\
 M_{8,5} M_{1,2} &= M_{8,5,1,2} + M_{8,6,2} + M_{8,1,5,2} + M_{9,5,2} + M_{8,1,7} + M_{9,7} + M_{1,8,5,2} \\
 &\quad + M_{1,8,7} + M_{1,8,2,5} + M_{9,2,5} + M_{1,2,8,5} + M_{1,10,5} + M_{8,1,2,5}
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus in general, whereas the ordinary shuffle product of the elements, say, M_{a_1, a_2, a_3} and $M_{b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4, b_5}$ contains all possible summands like $M_{b_1, a_1, a_2, b_2, b_3, a_3, b_4, b_5}$, the overlapping shuffle product contains together with each such summand also in addition the summands of the form $M_{b_1 + a_1, a_2, b_2, b_3, a_3, b_4, b_5}$, $M_{b_1, a_1, a_2 + b_2, b_3, a_3, b_4, b_5}$, $M_{b_1, a_1, a_2, b_2, b_3 + a_3, b_4, b_5}$, $M_{b_1, a_1, a_2, b_2, b_3, a_3 + b_4, b_5}$, $M_{b_1 + a_1, a_2 + b_2, b_3, a_3, b_4, b_5}$ and so on, obtained by replacing an a_i and a b_j standing one next to other with their sum, in all possible positions.

Note that the algebra of ordinary shuffles is also a polynomial algebra, but over rationals; it is *not* a polynomial algebra until at least one prime number remains uninverted. On the other hand, over rationals \mathcal{M} becomes isomorphic to the algebra of ordinary shuffles.

To define a polynomial generating set for \mathcal{M} , we need some definitions. To conform with the admissible basis in the Steenrod algebra, which consists of monomials with decreasing indices, we will reverse the order of indices in the definitions from [11], where the indices go in the increasing order. Thus in our case statements about some M_{d_1, \dots, d_n} will be equivalent to the corresponding ones in [11] about M_{d_n, \dots, d_1} .

Definitions 5.2.3 The *lexicographic order* on the basis M_{d_1, \dots, d_n} of \mathcal{M} is defined by declaring $M_{d_1, \dots, d_n} > M_{e_1, \dots, e_m}$ if either there is an i with $1 \leq i \leq \min(n, m)$ and $d_i > e_i$, $d_n = e_m$, $d_{n-1} = e_{m-1}$, ..., $d_{n-i+1} = e_{m-i+1}$, $d_{n-i} > e_{m-i}$ or $n > m$ and $d_{n-m+1} = e_1$, $d_{n-m+2} = e_2$, ..., $d_n = e_m$.

A basis element M_{d_1, \dots, d_n} is *Lyndon* if with respect to this ordering one has $M_{d_1, \dots, d_n} < M_{d_1, \dots, d_i}$ for all $1 < i \leq n$. For example, $M_{3,2,3,2,2}$ and $M_{2,2,1,2,1,2,1}$ are Lyndon but $M_{3,2,2,3,2}$ and $M_{2,1,2,1,2,1}$ are not.

A basis element M_{d_1, \dots, d_n} is *\mathbb{Z} -elementary* if no number > 1 divides all of the d_i , i. e. $\gcd(d_1, \dots, d_n) = 1$. The set $\text{ESL}(\mathbb{Z})$ is the set of elementary basis elements of the form $M_{d_1, \dots, d_n, d_1, \dots, d_n, \dots, d_1, \dots, d_n}$ (i. e. d_1, \dots, d_n repeated any number of times), where M_{d_1, \dots, d_n} is a Lyndon element.

For a prime p , a basis element M_{d_1, \dots, d_n} is called *p -elementary* if there is a d_i not divisible by p , i. e. $p \nmid \gcd(d_1, \dots, d_n)$. The set $\text{ESL}(p)$ is defined as the set of

p -elementary basis elements of the form

$$M_{\underbrace{d_1, \dots, d_n, d_1, \dots, d_n, \dots, d_1, \dots, d_n}_{p^r \text{ times}}}$$

with d_1, \dots, d_n repeated p^r times for some r , where M_{d_1, \dots, d_n} is required to be Lyndon.

For example, $M_{15,6,15,6,15,6,15,6}$ is in $\text{ESL}(2)$ but not in $\text{ESL}(\mathbb{Z})$ or in $\text{ESL}(p)$ for any other p , whereas $M_{30,6,6}$ is in $\text{ESL}(p)$ for any $p \neq 2, 3$ but not in $\text{ESL}(2)$, not in $\text{ESL}(3)$ and not in $\text{ESL}(\mathbb{Z})$.

One then has

Theorem 5.2.4 ([11]) *The algebra \mathcal{M} is a polynomial algebra.*

Conjecture 5.2.5 (Ditters, [11]) *The set $\text{ESL}(\mathbb{Z})$ is the set of polynomial generators for \mathcal{M} .*

Theorem 5.2.6 ([11]) *For each prime p , the set $\text{ESL}(p)$ is a set of polynomial generators for $\mathcal{M}_{(p)} = \mathcal{M} \otimes \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$, i. e. if one inverts all primes except p .*

In particular, it follows that $\text{ESL}(p)$ is a set of polynomial generators for \mathcal{M}/p^n over \mathbb{Z}/p^n for all n .

Here are the polynomial generators in low degrees, over \mathbb{Z} and over few first primes. Note that the numbers of generators in each degree are the same (as it should be since all these algebras become isomorphic over \mathbb{Q}).

	1	2	3	4	5
\mathbb{Z}	M_1	$M_{1,1}$	$M_{2,1}, M_{1,1,1}$	$M_{3,1}, M_{2,1,1}, M_{1,1,1,1}$	$M_{4,1}, M_{3,2}, M_{3,1,1}, M_{2,2,1}, M_{2,1,1,1}, M_{1,1,1,1,1}$
$p = 2$	M_1	$M_{1,1}$	$M_3, M_{2,1}$	$M_{3,1}, M_{2,1,1}, M_{1,1,1,1}$	$M_5, M_{4,1}, M_{3,2}, M_{3,1,1}, M_{2,2,1}, M_{2,1,1,1}$
$p = 3$	M_1	M_2	$M_{2,1}, M_{1,1,1}$	$M_4, M_{3,1}, M_{2,1,1}$	$M_5, M_{4,1}, M_{3,2}, M_{3,1,1}, M_{2,2,1}, M_{2,1,1,1}$
$p = 5$	M_1	M_2	$M_3, M_{2,1}$	$M_4, M_{3,1}, M_{2,1,1}$	$M_{4,1}, M_{3,2}, M_{3,1,1}, M_{2,2,1}, M_{2,1,1,1}, M_{1,1,1,1,1}$

It is easy to calculate the numbers of polynomial generators in each degree. Let these numbers be m_1, m_2, \dots . Then the Poincaré series for the algebra \mathcal{M} (or \mathcal{L} , or \mathcal{F} , or \mathcal{F}_* , it does not matter) is

$$\sum_n \dim(\mathcal{M}_n) t^n = (1-t)^{-m_1} (1-t^2)^{-m_2} (1-t^3)^{-m_3} \dots;$$

on the other hand, we know that it is a tensor coalgebra with one generator in each degree $n \geq 1$; this implies that $\dim(\mathcal{M}_n) = 2^{n-1}$ for $n \geq 1$ (and $\dim(M_0) = 1$). Thus we have equality of power series

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} (1-t^k)^{-m_k} &= 1 + t + 2t^2 + 4t^3 + 8t^4 + \dots \\ &= 1 + t(1 + 2t + (2t)^2 + (2t)^3 + \dots) = 1 + t \frac{1}{1-2t} = \frac{1-t}{1-2t}. \end{aligned}$$

Then taking logarithmic derivatives one obtains

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k m_k t^k}{1-t^k} = \frac{2t}{1-2t} - \frac{t}{1-t} = t + 3t^2 + 7t^3 + \dots + (2^n - 1)t^n + \dots.$$

It follows that for all n one has

$$\sum_{d|n} d m_d = 2^n - 1,$$

which by the Möbius inversion formula gives

$$m_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) (2^{\frac{n}{d}} - 1).$$

The latter expression is well known in the literature on combinatorics; it equals the number of aperiodic bicolored necklaces consisting of n beads, and also the dimension of the n th homogeneous component of the free Lie algebra on two generators. See e. g. [18].

5.3. The dual of the relation module $R_{\mathcal{F}}$

We now turn to the algebra $\mathcal{F}_* = \text{Hom}(\mathcal{F}, \mathbb{F}_2) \cong \mathcal{M}/2$. By the above, we know that it, as well as $\mathcal{M}_{(2)}$, is a polynomial algebra on the set of generators $\text{ESL}(2)$. As an illustration, we will give some expressions of the M -basis elements in terms of sums of overlapping shuffle products of elements from $\text{ESL}(2)$. We will give these in $\mathcal{M}_{(2)}$ and then their images in \mathcal{F}_* .

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_2 &= M_1^2 - 2M_{1,1} \\
 &\equiv M_1^2 \pmod{2} \\
 M_{1,2} &= M_1^3 - M_3 - M_{2,1} - 2M_1M_{1,1} \\
 &\equiv M_1^3 + M_3 + M_{2,1} \pmod{2} \\
 M_{1,1,1} &= M_1M_{1,1} - \frac{1}{3}M_1^3 + \frac{1}{3}M_3 \\
 &\equiv M_1M_{1,1} + M_1^3 + M_3 \pmod{2} \\
 M_4 &= \frac{4}{3}M_1M_3 - \frac{1}{3}M_1^4 + 2M_{1,1}^2 - 4M_{1,1,1,1} \\
 &\equiv M_1^4 \pmod{2} \\
 M_{2,2} &= M_{1,1}^2 - 2M_1^2M_{1,1} - \frac{2}{3}M_1M_3 + \frac{2}{3}M_1^4 + 2M_{1,1,1,1} \\
 &\equiv M_{1,1}^2 \pmod{2} \\
 M_{1,3} &= \frac{1}{3}M_1^4 - \frac{1}{3}M_1M_3 - 2M_{1,1}^2 - M_{3,1} + 4M_{1,1,1,1} \\
 &\equiv M_1^4 + M_1M_3 + M_{3,1} \pmod{2} \\
 M_{1,2,1} &= M_1M_{2,1} - M_{3,1} - M_{1,1}^2 + 2M_{1,1}^2M_{1,1} + \frac{2}{3}M_1M_3 - \frac{2}{3}M_1^4 - 2M_{1,1,1,1} - 2M_{2,1,1} \\
 &\equiv M_1M_{2,1} + M_{3,1} + M_{1,1}^2 \pmod{2} \\
 M_{1,1,2} &= M_{1,1}^2 - M_1^2M_{1,1} - \frac{1}{3}M_1M_3 + \frac{1}{3}M_1^4 - 2M_{1,1,1,1} + M_{3,1} - M_1M_{2,1} + M_{2,1,1} \\
 &\equiv M_{1,1}^2 + M_1^2M_{1,1} + M_1M_3 + M_1^4 + M_{3,1} + M_1M_{2,1} + M_{2,1,1} \pmod{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Moreover it is straightforward to calculate the diagonal in terms of these generators. For example, in \mathcal{F}_* one has

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta(M_1) &= 1 \otimes M_1 + M_1 \otimes 1, \\
 \Delta(M_{1,1}) &= 1 \otimes M_{1,1} + M_1 \otimes M_1 + M_{1,1} \otimes 1, \\
 \Delta(M_3) &= 1 \otimes M_3 + M_3 \otimes 1 \\
 \Delta(M_{2,1}) &= 1 \otimes M_{2,1} + M_1^2 \otimes M_1 + M_{2,1} \otimes 1 \\
 \Delta(M_{3,1}) &= 1 \otimes M_{3,1} + M_3 \otimes M_1 + M_{3,1} \otimes 1 \\
 \Delta(M_{2,1,1}) &= 1 \otimes M_{2,1,1} + M_1^2 \otimes M_{1,1} + M_{2,1} \otimes M_1 + M_{2,1,1} \otimes 1 \\
 \Delta(M_{1,1,1,1}) &= 1 \otimes M_{1,1,1,1} + M_1 \otimes M_1M_{1,1} + M_1 \otimes M_1^3 + M_1 \otimes M_3 \\
 &\quad + M_{1,1} \otimes M_{1,1} + M_1M_{1,1} \otimes M_1 + M_1^3 \otimes M_1 + M_3 \otimes M_1 + M_{1,1,1,1} \otimes 1 \\
 \Delta(M_{4,1}) &= 1 \otimes M_{4,1} + M_1^4 \otimes M_1 + M_{4,1} \otimes 1 \\
 \Delta(M_{3,2}) &= 1 \otimes M_{3,2} + M_3 \otimes M_1^2 + M_{3,2} \otimes 1 \\
 \Delta(M_{2,1,1,1}) &= 1 \otimes M_{2,1,1,1} + M_1^2 \otimes M_1M_{1,1} + M_1^2 \otimes M_1^3 + M_1^2 \otimes M_3 + M_{2,1} \otimes M_{1,1} \\
 &\quad + M_{2,1,1} \otimes M_1 + M_{2,1,1,1} \otimes 1 \\
 \Delta(M_5) &= 1 \otimes M_5 + M_5 \otimes 1 \\
 \Delta(M_{3,1,1}) &= 1 \otimes M_{3,1,1} + M_3 \otimes M_{1,1} + M_{3,1} \otimes M_1 + M_{3,1,1} \otimes 1 \\
 \Delta(M_{2,2,1}) &= 1 \otimes M_{2,2,1} + M_1^2 \otimes M_{2,1} + M_{1,1}^2 \otimes M_1 + M_{2,2,1} \otimes 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

Also it follows from the results in [11] that one has

Lemma 5.3.1 *For any prime p , in $\mathcal{M}_{(p)}$ one has*

$$M_{pd_1, \dots, pd_n} \equiv M_{d_1, \dots, d_n}^p \pmod{p}.$$

To identify the elements to which the Milnor generators ζ_k of \mathcal{A}_* go under the isomorphism $\mathcal{F}_* \cong \mathcal{M}/2$, we first identify \mathcal{A}_* with the graded dual of \mathcal{A} ; then ζ_k corresponds to a linear form $\mathcal{A}_{2k-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ given by (5.1.3).

Proposition 5.3.2 *Under the embedding $\mathcal{A}_* \hookrightarrow \mathcal{M}/2$, the Milnor generator ζ_k maps to the generator $M_{2^{k-1}, 2^{k-2}, \dots, 2, 1}$. In particular, this generator is in $\text{ESL}(2)$, i. e. is one of the polynomial generators of \mathcal{F}_* .*

Note that this together with (5.2.2) and (5.3.1) implies the Milnor formula (5.1.5) for the diagonal in \mathcal{A}_* . Identifying ζ_k with its image in $\mathcal{M}/2$ by (5.3.2), one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} m_*(\zeta_k) &= \Delta(M_{2^{k-1}, 2^{k-2}, \dots, 2, 1}) = \sum_{i=0}^k M_{2^{k-1}, 2^{k-2}, \dots, 2^i} \otimes M_{2^{i-1}, \dots, 2, 1} \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^k M_{2^{k-1-i}, 2^{k-2-i}, \dots, 2, 1}^{2^i} \otimes M_{2^{i-1}, \dots, 2, 1} \quad (5.3.3) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^k \zeta_{k-i}^{2^i} \otimes \zeta_i. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the set $\{\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \dots\}$ of polynomial generators for \mathcal{A}_* can be identified with the subset

$$Q = \{M_1, M_{2,1}, M_{4,2,1}, M_{8,4,2,1}, \dots\}$$

of the set of polynomial generators $\text{ESL}(2)$ for $\mathcal{M}/2 \cong \mathcal{F}_*$. This in particular gives an explicit basis for $R_{\mathcal{F}_*}$: it is in one-to-one correspondence with those monomials in the generators M_{d_1, \dots, d_n} from $\text{ESL}(2)$ not all of whose variables belong to Q . For example, in the first few dimensions this basis contains the following monomials:

$$\begin{aligned} &M_{1,1}, \\ &M_1 M_{1,1}, M_3, \\ &M_1^2 M_{1,1}, M_1 M_3, M_{1,1}^2, M_{3,1}, M_{2,1,1}, M_{1,1,1,1}, \\ &M_1^3 M_{1,1}, M_1^2 M_3, M_1 M_{1,1}^2, M_1 M_{3,1}, M_1 M_{2,1,1}, M_1 M_{1,1,1,1}, M_{1,1} M_3, M_{1,1} M_{2,1}, \\ &M_5, M_{4,1}, M_{3,2}, M_{3,1,1}, M_{2,2,1}, M_{2,1,1,1}. \end{aligned}$$

We next note that obviously the embedding $\mathcal{A}_* \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F}_*$ identifies \mathcal{F}_* with a polynomial algebra over \mathcal{A}_* , namely one has a canonical isomorphism

$$\mathcal{F}_* \cong \mathcal{A}_*[\text{ESL}(2) \setminus Q]. \tag{5.3.4}$$

In particular, as an \mathcal{A}_* -module \mathcal{F}_* is free on the generating set $\mathbb{N}^{(\text{ESL}(2) \setminus Q)}$ (= the free commutative monoid on $\text{ESL}(2) \setminus Q$). Then obviously the quotient module $R_{\mathcal{F}_*}$ is a free \mathcal{A}_* -module with the generating set $\mathbb{N}^{(\text{ESL}(2) \setminus Q)} \setminus \{1\}$.

We will need the dual $\mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2}$ of the subspace $\mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 2} \subset \mathcal{F}_0$ spanned by the monomials of length ≤ 2 in the generators Sq^i . Observe that $\mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 2}$ is a subcoalgebra of \mathcal{F}_0 , so that dually $\mathcal{F}_* \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2}$ is a quotient algebra. We have

Proposition 5.3.5 *The algebra $\mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2}$ is a quotient of the polynomial algebra on three generators $M_1, M_{1,1}, M_{2,1}$ by a single relation*

$$M_1 M_{1,1} M_{2,1} + M_{1,1}^3 + M_{2,1}^2 = 0.$$

Proof: First of all, it is straightforward to calculate in \mathcal{F}_* the sum of the overlapping shuffle products

$$\begin{aligned} &M_1 M_{1,1} M_{2,1} + M_{1,1}^3 + M_{2,1}^2 = \\ &M_{1,4,1} + M_{2,2,2} + M_{2,3,1} + M_{3,1,2} + M_{3,2,1} + M_{2,1,2,1} \\ &+ M_{3,1,1,1} + M_{1,1,3,1} + M_{1,2,1,1,1} + M_{1,2,1,2} + M_{1,1,1,2,1} \end{aligned}$$

so that indeed this gives zero in $\mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2}$. Let

$$X = \mathbb{F}[x_1, x_2, x_3]/(x_1 x_2 x_3 + x_2^3 + x_3^2)$$

be the graded algebra with $\deg(x_i) = i, i = 1, 2, 3$, so that there is a homomorphism of algebras $f : X \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2}$ sending $x_1 \mapsto M_1, x_2 \mapsto M_{1,1}, x_3 \mapsto M_{2,1}$. It is straightforward to calculate the Hilbert function of X , i. e. the formal power series

$$\sum_n \dim(X_n) t^n;$$

it is equal to

$$\frac{1 - t^6}{(1 - t)(1 - t^2)(1 - t^3)}.$$

On the other hand $\mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2}$ is dual to $\mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 2}$ and it is straightforward also to calculate dimensions of homogeneous components of this space. One then simply checks that these dimensions coincide for X and for $\mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2}$. Thus it suffices to show that f is surjective, i. e. that $\mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2}$ is generated by (the images of) $M_1, M_{1,1}$ and $M_{2,1}$.

We will show by induction on degree that every M_n and $M_{i,j}$ can be obtained as a polynomial in these three elements. In degree 1, M_1 is the only nonzero element. In degree 2, besides $M_{1,1}$ we have M_2 which is equal to M_1^2 by (5.3.1). In degree 3, we have

$$M_1 M_{1,1} = M_{1,2} + M_{2,1} + M_{1,1,1} \equiv M_{1,2} + M_{2,1} \pmod{\mathcal{F}_*^{>2}}$$

and

$$M_1^3 = M_3 + M_{1,2} + M_{2,1},$$

so that in $\mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2}$ we may solve

$$M_{1,2} \equiv M_1 M_{1,1} + M_{2,1}$$

and

$$M_3 \equiv M_1^3 + M_1 M_{1,1}.$$

Given now any degree $n > 3$, we can obtain any element $M_{i,j}$ with $i > 1, j > 1, i + j = n$ from elements of lower degree since

$$M_{i,j} \equiv M_{1,1} M_{i-1,j-1}.$$

Next we also can obtain the element $M_{n-1,1}$ from

$$M_{n-1,1} + M_{2,n-2} \equiv M_{2,1} M_{n-3}.$$

Then we can obtain $M_{1,n-1}$ from

$$M_{1,n-1} + M_{n-1,1} \equiv M_{1,1} M_{n-2},$$

and finally we can obtain M_n from

$$M_n + M_{1,n-1} + M_{n-1,1} \equiv M_1 M_{n-1}.$$

□

Let us also identify the dual of the product map

$$\mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 2}$$

in terms of the above generators. By dualizing it is clear that this dual is the unique factorization in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{F}_* & \xrightarrow{m_*} & \mathcal{F}_* \otimes \mathcal{F}_* \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2} & \dashrightarrow & \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1}. \end{array}$$

In particular, it is an algebra homomorphism. Moreover the algebra $\mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1}$ may be identified with the polynomial algebra on a single generator $M_1 = \zeta_1$, with the quotient map $\mathcal{F}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1}$ given by sending M_1 to itself and all other polynomial generators from $\text{ESL}(2)$ to zero. From this it is straightforward to identify the map $\mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1}$ with the algebra homomorphism

$$\mathbb{F}[x_1, x_2, x_3]/(x_1 x_2 x_3 + x_2^3 + x_3^2) \rightarrow \mathbb{F}[y_1, z_1]$$

given by

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &\mapsto y_1 + z_1 \\ x_2 &\mapsto y_1 z_1 \\ x_3 &\mapsto y_1^2 z_1. \end{aligned} \tag{5.3.6}$$

Let us identify in these terms the map $\mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2} \rightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}_*}^{\leq 2}$. One clearly has

$$R_{\mathcal{F}}^{\leq 2} = R_{\mathcal{F}} \cap \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 2}$$

in \mathcal{F}_0 , so that dually one has that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{F}_* & \longrightarrow & R_{\mathcal{F}_*} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2} & \longrightarrow & R_{\mathcal{F}_*}^{\leq 2} \end{array}$$

is pushout. Thus $R_{\mathcal{F}_*}^{\leq 2}$ is isomorphic to the quotient of $\mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2}$ by the image of the composite $\mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2}$. That image is clearly the subalgebra generated by M_1 and $M_{2,1}$.

We can alternatively describe $R_{\mathcal{F}_*}^{\leq 2}$ in terms of linear forms on $R_{\mathcal{F}}^{\leq 2} \subset \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 2}$. It is clear that the latter subspace is spanned by all Adem relations $[n, m]$, $n < 2m$. The map $\pi : \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2} \rightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}_*}^{\leq 2}$ assigns to a linear form on $\mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 2}$ its restriction to $R_{\mathcal{F}}^{\leq 2}$. One then clearly has

$$\pi(M_1^k) = \pi(M_{2,1}^k) = 0 \tag{5.3.7}$$

for all $k \geq 0$; moreover $\pi(M_{1,1})$ is dual to $[1, 1]$ in the basis given by the elements $[n, m]$, i. e. $M_{1,1}([1, 1]) = 1$ and $M_{1,1}([n, m]) = 0$ for all other n, m . Moreover for $x, y \in \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2}$ we have

$$(xy)([n, m]) = \sum x([n, m]_{\ell})y([n, m]_r) \tag{5.3.8}$$

in the Sweedler notation

$$\Delta([n, m]) = \sum [n, m]_{\ell} \otimes [n, m]_r.$$

For example, we have

$$\Delta([1, 2]) = (1 + T)(1 \otimes [1, 2] + \text{Sq}^1 \otimes [1, 1])$$

which implies that $M_1 M_{1,1}$ is dual to $[1, 2]$ in this basis, i. e. $(M_1 M_{1,1})[1, 2] = 1$ and $(M_1 M_{1,1})[n, m] = 0$ for all other n, m . Similarly

$$\Delta([1, 3]) = (1 + T)(1 \otimes [1, 3] + \text{Sq}^1 \otimes [1, 2] + \text{Sq}^2 \otimes [1, 1])$$

and

$$\Delta([2, 2]) = (1 + T)(1 \otimes [2, 2] + \text{Sq}^1 \otimes [1, 2] + \text{Sq}^2 \otimes [1, 1]) + [1, 1] \otimes [1, 1]$$

imply that $M_{1,1}^2$ is dual to $[2,2]$ whereas $(M_1^2 M_{1,1})[1,3] = (M_1^2 M_{1,1})[2,2] = 1$, so that dual to $[1,3]$ is $M_1^2 M_{1,1} + M_{1,1}^2$.

We will also need a description of the dual \bar{R}_* of $\bar{R} = R_{\mathcal{F}}/(R_{\mathcal{F}} \cdot R_{\mathcal{F}})$. For this first note that similarly to the above $\mathcal{F}_* \otimes \mathcal{F}_*$ is a free $\mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_*$ -module on $\mathbb{N}^{(\text{ESL}(2) \setminus \mathcal{Q})} \times \mathbb{N}^{(\text{ESL}(2) \setminus \mathcal{Q})}$ and $R_{\mathcal{F}*} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*}$ is a free $\mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_*$ -module on $(\mathbb{N}^{(\text{ESL}(2) \setminus \mathcal{Q})} \setminus \{1\}) \times (\mathbb{N}^{(\text{ESL}(2) \setminus \mathcal{Q})} \setminus \{1\})$. Moreover the diagonal $\Delta_{\mathcal{F}} : \mathcal{F}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_* \otimes \mathcal{F}_*$ and its factorization $\Delta_R : R_{\mathcal{F}*} \rightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}*} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*}$ through the quotient maps $\mathcal{F}_* \twoheadrightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}*}$, $\mathcal{F}_* \otimes \mathcal{F}_* \twoheadrightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}*} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*}$ are obviously both equivariant with respect to the diagonal $\delta : \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_*$, i. e. one has

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{\mathcal{F}}(af) &= \delta(a)\Delta_{\mathcal{F}}(f), \\ \Delta_R(ar) &= \delta(a)\Delta_R(r) \end{aligned} \tag{5.3.9}$$

for any $a \in \mathcal{A}_*$, $f \in \mathcal{F}_*$, $r \in R_{\mathcal{F}*}$.

6. The invariants L and S and the dual invariants L_* and S_* in terms of generators

As proved in [3] there are invariants L and S of the Steenrod algebra which determine the algebra \mathcal{B} of secondary cohomology operations up to isomorphism. Therefore L and S and the dual invariants L_* and S_* also determine $\mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{F}}$ and $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{F}}$ respectively. In this chapter we recall the definition of L and S and we discuss algebraic properties of L_* and S_* .

6.1. The left action operator L and its dual

We recall constructions of the maps L and S from [3, 14.4,14.5] of the same kind as the operators in (4.6.12) and (4.6.13) respectively. For that, we first introduce the following notation:

$$\bar{R} := R_{\mathcal{F}}/(R_{\mathcal{F}} \cdot R_{\mathcal{F}}), \tag{6.1.1}$$

with the quotient map $R_{\mathcal{F}} \twoheadrightarrow \bar{R}$ denoted by $r \mapsto \bar{r}$. There is a well-defined \mathcal{A} - \mathcal{A} -bimodule structure on \bar{R} given by

$$\bar{f}\bar{r} = \overline{fr}, \quad \bar{r}\bar{f} = \overline{rf}$$

for $f \in \mathcal{F}_0$, $r \in R_{\mathcal{F}}$. As we show below \bar{R} is free both as a left and as a right \mathcal{A} -module (but not as a bimodule). A basis for \bar{R} as a right \mathcal{A} -module can be found using the set $\text{PAR} \subset R_{\mathcal{F}}$ of *preadmissible relations* as defined in [3, 16.5]. These are the elements of $R_{\mathcal{F}}$ of the form

$$\text{Sq}^{n_1} \dots \text{Sq}^{n_k} [n, m]$$

where $[n, m]$, $n < 2m$, is an Adem relation, the monomial $Sq^{n_1} \dots Sq^{n_k}$ is admissible (i. e. $n_1 \geq 2n_2, n_2 \geq 2n_3, \dots, n_{k-1} \geq 2n_k$), and moreover $n_k \geq 2n$. It is then proved in [3, 16.5.2] that PAR is a basis of $R_{\mathcal{F}}$ as a free right \mathcal{F}_0 -module.

It is equally true that $R_{\mathcal{F}}$ is a free left \mathcal{F}_0 -module. An explicit basis PAR' of $R_{\mathcal{F}}$ as a left \mathcal{F}_0 -module consists of *left preadmissible* relations — elements of the form

$$[n, m]Sq^{m_1} \dots Sq^{m_k}$$

where $[n, m]$, $n < 2m$, is an Adem relation, the monomial $Sq^{m_1} \dots Sq^{m_k}$ is admissible, and moreover $m \geq 2m_1$.

Using this, one also has

Lemma 6.1.2 *\bar{R} is free both as a right \mathcal{A} -module and as a left \mathcal{A} -module. Moreover, the images $\bar{\rho}$ of the preadmissible relations $\rho \in \text{PAR}$ under the quotient map $R_{\mathcal{F}} \twoheadrightarrow \bar{R}$ form a basis of this free right \mathcal{A} -module, and the images of left preadmissible relations form its basis as a left \mathcal{A} -module.*

Proof: This is clear from the obvious isomorphisms

$$\mathcal{A} \otimes_{\mathcal{F}_0} R_{\mathcal{F}} \cong \bar{R} \cong R_{\mathcal{F}} \otimes_{\mathcal{F}_0} \mathcal{A}$$

of left, resp. right \mathcal{A} -modules. □

In particular we see that every element of $R_{\mathcal{F}}$ can be written uniquely in the form

$$\rho^{(2)} + \sum_i \alpha_i [n_i, m_i] \beta_i \tag{6.1.3}$$

with $\rho^{(2)} \in R_{\mathcal{F}} \cdot R_{\mathcal{F}}$, $\alpha_i [n_i, m_i] \in \text{PAR}$ and β_i an admissible monomial. Moreover it can be also uniquely written in the form

$$\varrho^{(2)} + \sum_i \alpha'_i [n'_i, m'_i] \beta'_i \tag{6.1.4}$$

with $\varrho^{(2)} \in R_{\mathcal{F}} \cdot R_{\mathcal{F}}$, admissible monomials α'_i and $[n'_i, m'_i] \beta'_i \in \text{PAR}'$.

Definition 6.1.5 *The left action operator*

$$L : \mathcal{A} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$$

of degree -1 is defined as follows. For odd p let L be the zero map. For $p = 2$, let first the additive map $L_{\mathcal{F}} : \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 2} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$ be given by the formula

$$L_{\mathcal{F}}(Sq^n Sq^m) = \sum_{\substack{n_1+n_2=n \\ m_1+m_2=m \\ m_1, n_2 \text{ odd}}} Sq^{n_1} Sq^{m_1} \otimes Sq^{n_2} Sq^{m_2}$$

$(n, m \geq 0$; remember that $Sq^0 = 1$). Equivalently, using the algebra structure on $\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$ one may write

$$L_{\mathcal{F}}(Sq^n Sq^m) = (1 \otimes Sq^1)\delta(Sq^{n-1})(Sq^1 \otimes 1)\delta(Sq^{m-1}).$$

Restricting this map to $R_{\mathcal{F}}^{\leq 2} \subset \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 2}$ gives a map $L_R : R_{\mathcal{F}}^{\leq 2} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$. It is thus an additive map given on the Adem relations $[n, m]$, for $0 < n < 2m$, by

$$L_R[n, m] = L_{\mathcal{F}}(Sq^n Sq^m) + \sum_{k=\max\{0, n-m+1\}}^{\min\{n/2, m-1\}} \binom{m-k-1}{n-2k} L_{\mathcal{F}}(Sq^{n+m-k} Sq^k).$$

Next we define the map

$$\bar{L} : \mathcal{A} \otimes \bar{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$$

as the right \mathcal{A} -module homomorphism which satisfies

$$\bar{L}(a \otimes \overline{\alpha[n, m]}) = \delta(\chi(a)\bar{\alpha})L_R[n, m] \tag{6.1.6}$$

with $\alpha[n, m] \in \text{PAR}$; by (6.1.2) such a homomorphism exists and is unique.

Finally, \bar{L} yields a unique linear map $L : \mathcal{A} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$ by composing \bar{L} with the quotient map $\mathcal{A} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \bar{R}$. Thus one has

$$L(\mathcal{A} \otimes (R_{\mathcal{F}} \cdot R_{\mathcal{F}})) = 0.$$

The map L is the left action operator in [3, 14.4] where the following lemma is proved (see [3, 14.4.3]):

Lemma 6.1.7 *The map \bar{L} satisfies the equalities*

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{L}(a \otimes [n, m]) &= \chi(a)L_R[n, m] \\ \bar{L}(a \otimes br) &= \bar{L}(ab \otimes r) + \delta(a)\bar{L}(b \otimes r) \\ \bar{L}(a \otimes rb) &= \bar{L}(a \otimes r)\delta(b) \end{aligned}$$

for any $a, b \in \mathcal{A}$, $r \in \bar{R}$.

□

We observe that L can be alternatively constructed as follows. Let

$$\tilde{L} : \bar{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$$

be the map given by

$$\tilde{L}(\bar{r}) = \bar{L}(Sq^1 \otimes \bar{r}).$$

Then one has

Proposition 6.1.8 For any $a \in \mathcal{A}$, $r \in R_{\mathcal{F}}$ one has

$$L(a \otimes r) = \delta(\chi(a))\tilde{L}(\bar{r});$$

moreover \tilde{L} is a homomorphism of \mathcal{A} - \mathcal{A} -bimodules, hence uniquely determined by its values on the Adem relations, which are

$$\tilde{L}([n, m]) = L_R[n, m].$$

Proof: For any $a \in \mathcal{A}$, $\alpha[n, m] \in \text{PAR}$ and β admissible we have

$$\begin{aligned} L(a \otimes \alpha[n, m]\beta) &= \bar{L}(a \otimes \overline{\alpha[n, m]})\bar{\beta} \\ &= \delta(\chi(a)\bar{\alpha})L_R[n, m]\delta\bar{\beta} \\ &= \delta\chi(a)\delta\bar{\alpha}L_R[n, m]\delta\bar{\beta} \\ &= \delta\chi(a)\delta(\chi(\text{Sq}^1)\bar{\alpha})L_R[n, m]\delta\bar{\beta} \\ &= \delta\chi(a)L(\text{Sq}^1 \otimes \alpha[n, m]\beta) \\ &= \delta\chi(a)\tilde{L}(\alpha[n, m]\beta). \end{aligned}$$

Then using (6.1.3) we see that the same identity holds for $L(a \otimes r)$ with any $r \in R_{\mathcal{F}}$.

Next for any $a \in \mathcal{A}$, $r \in R_{\mathcal{F}}$ we have by (6.1.7) and $\chi \text{Sq}^1 = \text{Sq}^0 = 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{L}(a\bar{r}) &= \bar{L}(\text{Sq}^1 \otimes a\bar{r}) \\ &= \bar{L}(\text{Sq}^1 a \otimes \bar{r}) + \delta(\text{Sq}^1)\bar{L}(a \otimes \bar{r}) \\ &= \delta(\chi(\text{Sq}^1 a))\tilde{L}(\bar{r}) + \delta(\text{Sq}^1 \chi(a))\tilde{L}(\bar{r}) \\ &= \delta(\chi(\text{Sq}^1 a) + \text{Sq}^1 \chi(a))\tilde{L}(\bar{r}) \\ &= \delta(a)\tilde{L}(\bar{r}). \end{aligned}$$

Thus \tilde{L} is a left \mathcal{A} -module homomorphism. It is also clearly a right \mathcal{A} -module homomorphism since \bar{L} is.

Finally by (6.1.6) we have

$$L_R[n, m] = \delta(\chi(\text{Sq}^1))L_R[n, m] = \bar{L}(\text{Sq}^1 \otimes \overline{[n, m]}) = \tilde{L}([n, m]).$$

□

Explicit calculation of the left coaction operator L_* is as follows. For odd p it is the zero map, and for $p = 2$ we first define the additive map $L_{R_*} : \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow$

$R_{\mathcal{F}*}^{\leq 2}$. It is dual to the composite map $R_{\mathcal{F}}^{\leq 2} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$ in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & & R_{\mathcal{F}}^{\leq 2} \xrightarrow{\quad} R_{\mathcal{F}} \\
 & & \downarrow \text{pull} \quad \downarrow \\
 \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} & \xrightarrow{m} & \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 2} \xrightarrow{\quad} \mathcal{F}_0 \\
 \Delta \otimes \Delta \downarrow & & \vdots \\
 \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} & & \vdots \\
 1 \otimes \Phi \otimes \Phi \otimes 1 \downarrow & & \vdots \\
 \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} & & \vdots \\
 1 \otimes T \otimes 1 \downarrow & & \vdots \\
 \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} & \xrightarrow{m \otimes m} & \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 2} \otimes \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 2} \xrightarrow{\quad} \mathcal{F}_0 \otimes \mathcal{F}_0 \\
 & & \downarrow \\
 & & \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}
 \end{array} \tag{6.1.9}$$

where Φ is restriction $\mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1}$ of the map $\mathcal{F}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_0$ given by

$$\Phi(x) = \text{Sq}^1 \kappa(x),$$

so that one has

$$\Phi(\text{Sq}^n) = \begin{cases} \text{Sq}^n, & n \equiv 1 \pmod{2} \\ 0, & n \equiv 0 \pmod{2}. \end{cases}$$

Indeed by (6.1.5) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_{\mathcal{F}}(\text{Sq}^n \text{Sq}^m) &= (1 \otimes \text{Sq}^1) \Delta(\text{Sq}^{n-1})(\text{Sq}^1 \otimes 1) \Delta(\text{Sq}^{m-1}) \\
 &= (1 \otimes \text{Sq}^1) \Delta \kappa(\text{Sq}^n)(\text{Sq}^1 \otimes 1) \Delta \kappa(\text{Sq}^m);
 \end{aligned}$$

on the other hand we saw in (4.6.7) that

$$\Delta \kappa = (\kappa \otimes 1) \Delta = (1 \otimes \kappa) \Delta,$$

so that we can write

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_{\mathcal{F}}(\text{Sq}^n \text{Sq}^m) &= (1 \otimes \text{Sq}^1 \kappa) \Delta(\text{Sq}^n)(\text{Sq}^1 \kappa \otimes 1) \Delta(\text{Sq}^m) \\
 &= (1 \otimes \Phi) \Delta(\text{Sq}^n)(\Phi \otimes 1) \Delta(\text{Sq}^m).
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the map dual of Φ is the map $\Phi_* : \mathbb{F}[\zeta_1] \rightarrow \mathbb{F}[\zeta_1]$ given by factorization through $\mathcal{A}_* \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{F}[\zeta_1]$ of the map $\Phi_* : \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_*$ given on the monomial basis by

$$\Phi_*(\zeta_1^{n_1} \zeta_2^{n_2} \dots) = \begin{cases} \zeta_1^{n_1} \zeta_2^{n_2} \dots, & n_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{2} \\ 0, & n_1 \equiv 0 \pmod{2}. \end{cases}$$

Equivalently, by (5.1.6) and (5.1.7), $\Phi_* = \varkappa_* \text{Sq}_*^1$ is the map $\zeta_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial \zeta_1}$.

Thus the map L_{R_*} is the composite $\mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}}^{\leq 2}$ in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* & & & & & & \\
 \downarrow & & & & & & \\
 \mathcal{F}_* \otimes \mathcal{F}_* & \twoheadrightarrow & \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2} \otimes \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2} & \xrightarrow{m_* \otimes m_*} & \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} & \otimes & \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} \\
 & & \downarrow L_{\mathcal{F}_*} & & & \downarrow 1 \otimes T \otimes 1 & \\
 & & & & & \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} & \otimes & \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} \\
 & & & & & \downarrow 1 \otimes \Phi_* \otimes \Phi_* \otimes 1 & & \\
 & & & & & \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} & \otimes & \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} \\
 & & & & & \downarrow \Delta_* \otimes \Delta_* & & \\
 \mathcal{F}_* & \twoheadrightarrow & \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2} & \xrightarrow{m_*} & \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} & \otimes & \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} \\
 \downarrow & \text{push} & \downarrow & & & & \\
 R_{\mathcal{F}_*} & \twoheadrightarrow & R_{\mathcal{F}}^{\leq 2} & & & &
 \end{array} \tag{6.1.10}$$

Now by (6.1.8) we know that \tilde{L} is a bimodule homomorphism, and moreover \bar{R} is generated by $R_{\mathcal{F}}^{\leq 2} \cong \bar{R}^{\leq 2} \subset \bar{R}$ as an \mathcal{A} - \mathcal{A} -bimodule, so knowledge of L_R (actually already of $L_{\mathcal{F}}$ whose restriction it is) determines \tilde{L} and, by (6.1.8), also L . Dually, one can reconstruct \tilde{L}_* and then L_* from $L_{\mathcal{F}_*}$ via the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* & \overset{\tilde{L}_*}{\dashrightarrow} & \bar{R}_* & \xrightarrow{\text{bicoaction}} & \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \bar{R}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \\
 \downarrow \text{bicoaction} & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \mathcal{A}_* \otimes (\mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_*) \otimes \mathcal{A}_* & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes L_R \otimes 1} & \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}}^{\leq 2} \otimes \mathcal{A}_* & \longleftarrow & \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}_*} \otimes \mathcal{A}_*
 \end{array}$$

Here the bicoaction $\mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \otimes (\mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_*) \otimes \mathcal{A}_*$ is the composite

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \xrightarrow{m_*^{(2)} \otimes m_*^{(2)}} (\mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_*) \otimes (\mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_*) \\ \downarrow (142536) \\ (\mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_*) \otimes (\mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_*) \otimes (\mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_*) \xrightarrow{\delta_* \otimes 1 \otimes 1 \otimes \delta_*} \mathcal{A}_* \otimes (\mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_*) \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \end{aligned}$$

We next note the following

Lemma 6.1.11 *The map \tilde{L}_* is a biderivation, i. e.*

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{L}_*(x_1 x_2, y) &= x_1 \tilde{L}_*(x_2, y) + x_2 \tilde{L}_*(x_1, y), \\ \tilde{L}_*(x, y_1 y_2) &= y_1 \tilde{L}_*(x, y_2) + y_2 \tilde{L}_*(x, y_1) \end{aligned}$$

for any $x, x_1, x_2, y, y_1, y_2 \in \mathcal{A}_*$.

It thus follows that \tilde{L}_* is fully determined by its values $\tilde{L}_*(\zeta_n \otimes \zeta_{n'})$ on the Milnor generators. To calculate the bicoaction on these, first note that we have

$$m_*^{(2)}(\zeta_n) = (1 \otimes m_*)m_*(\zeta_n) = \sum_{i+i'=n} \zeta_i^{2^{i'}} \otimes m_*(\zeta_{i'}) = \sum_{i+j+k=n} \zeta_i^{2^{j+k}} \otimes \zeta_j^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_k,$$

where as always $\zeta_0 = 1$. For the coaction on $\zeta_n \otimes \zeta_{n'}$ this then gives in succession

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_n \otimes \zeta_{n'} &\mapsto \sum_{\substack{i+j+k=n \\ i'+j'+k'=n'}} \zeta_i^{2^{j+k}} \otimes \zeta_j^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_k \otimes \zeta_{i'}^{2^{j'+k'}} \otimes \zeta_{j'}^{2^{k'}} \otimes \zeta_{k'} \\ &\mapsto \sum_{\substack{i+j+k=n \\ i'+j'+k'=n'}} \zeta_i^{2^{j+k}} \otimes \zeta_{i'}^{2^{j'+k'}} \otimes \zeta_j^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_{j'}^{2^{k'}} \otimes \zeta_k \otimes \zeta_{k'} \\ &\mapsto \sum_{\substack{i+j+k=n \\ i'+j'+k'=n'}} \zeta_i^{2^{j+k}} \zeta_{i'}^{2^{j'+k'}} \otimes \zeta_j^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_{j'}^{2^{k'}} \otimes \zeta_k \zeta_{k'}, \end{aligned}$$

so that for the values of \tilde{L}_* we have the equation

$$\iota \tilde{L}_*(\zeta_n \otimes \zeta_{n'}) = \sum_{\substack{i+j+k=n \\ i'+j'+k'=n'}} \zeta_i^{2^{j+k}} \zeta_{i'}^{2^{j'+k'}} \otimes L_{R_*}(\zeta_j^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_{j'}^{2^{k'}}) \otimes \zeta_k \zeta_{k'}$$

where ι is the above embedding $\bar{R}_* \hookrightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}}^{\leq 2} \otimes \mathcal{A}_*$. Thus we only have to know the values of $L_{\mathcal{F}_*}$ on the elements of the form $\zeta_j^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_{j'}^{2^{k'}}$ for $j \geq 0, k \geq 0$. Obviously these values are zero for $j > 2$ or $j' > 2$. They are also zero for $j = 0$

or $j' = 0$ since $\Phi_*(1) = 0$. There thus remain four cases $j = j' = 1$, $j = j' = 2$, $j = 1, j' = 2$, and $j = 2, j' = 1$. We then have under $L_{\mathcal{F}*}$

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} &\xrightarrow{m_* \otimes m_*} (\zeta_1 \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \zeta_1)^{2^k} \otimes (\zeta_1 \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \zeta_1)^{2^{k'}} = \\ &\zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} \otimes 1 + \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes 1 \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} + 1 \otimes \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} \\ &\xrightarrow{1 \otimes T \otimes 1} \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} \otimes 1 \otimes 1 + \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes 1 \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} + 1 \otimes \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} \\ &\xrightarrow{1 \otimes \Phi_* \otimes \Phi_* \otimes 1} 0 + 0 + 1 \otimes \Phi_* \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} \otimes \Phi_* \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes 1 + 0 \\ &\xrightarrow{\Delta_* \otimes \Delta_*} \Phi_* \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} \otimes \Phi_* \zeta_1^{2^k}. \end{aligned}$$

We thus have

$$L_{\mathcal{F}*}(\zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}}) = \begin{cases} M_{1,1}, & k = k' = 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We next take $j = j' = 2$; then

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_2^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_2^{2^{k'}} &\xrightarrow{m_* \otimes m_*} (\zeta_1^2 \otimes \zeta_1)^{2^k} \otimes (\zeta_1^2 \otimes \zeta_1)^{2^{k'}} = \zeta_1^{2^{k+1}} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'+1}} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} \\ &\xrightarrow{1 \otimes T \otimes 1} \zeta_1^{2^{k+1}} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'+1}} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} \\ &\xrightarrow{1 \otimes \Phi_* \otimes \Phi_* \otimes 1} \zeta_1^{2^{k+1}} \otimes \Phi_* \zeta_1^{2^{k'+1}} \otimes \Phi_* \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} = 0 \\ &\xrightarrow{\Delta_* \otimes \Delta_*} 0, \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$L_{\mathcal{F}*}(\zeta_2^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_2^{2^{k'}}) = 0$$

for all k and k' . Next for $j = 2, j' = 1$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_2^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} &\xrightarrow{m_* \otimes m_*} (\zeta_1^2 \otimes \zeta_1)^{2^k} \otimes (\zeta_1 \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \zeta_1)^{2^{k'}} = \\ &\zeta_1^{2^{k+1}} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} \otimes 1 + \zeta_1^{2^{k+1}} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} \\ &\xrightarrow{1 \otimes T \otimes 1} \zeta_1^{2^{k+1}} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes 1 + \zeta_1^{2^{k+1}} \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} \\ &\xrightarrow{1 \otimes \Phi_* \otimes \Phi_* \otimes 1} \zeta_1^{2^{k+1}} \otimes \Phi_* \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} \otimes \Phi_* \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes 1 + 0 \\ &\xrightarrow{\Delta_* \otimes \Delta_*} \zeta_1^{2^{k+1}} \otimes \Phi_* \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} \otimes \Phi_* \zeta_1^{2^k}, \end{aligned}$$

hence

$$L_{\mathcal{F}*}(\zeta_2^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}}) = \begin{cases} M_{1,1}^2 + M_1 M_{2,1}, & k = k' = 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Finally for $j = 1, j' = 2$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_2^{2^{k'}} &\xrightarrow{m_* \otimes m_*} (\zeta_1 \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \zeta_1)^{2^k} \otimes (\zeta_1^2 \otimes \zeta_1)^{2^{k'}} = \\ &\zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'+1}} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} + 1 \otimes \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'+1}} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} \\ &\xrightarrow{1 \otimes T \otimes 1} \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'+1}} \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} + 1 \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'+1}} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_1^{2^{k'}} \\ &\xrightarrow{1 \otimes \Phi_* \otimes \Phi_* \otimes 1} 0 + 0 \\ &\xrightarrow{\Delta_* \otimes \Delta_*} 0, \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$L_{\mathcal{F}*}(\zeta_1^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_2^{2^{k'}}) = 0$$

for all k and k' .

To pass to L_{R*} from these values means just omitting all monomials which do not contain $M_{1,1}$; we thus obtain

$$\begin{aligned} L_{R*}(\zeta_1 \otimes \zeta_1) &= M_{1,1}, \\ L_{R*}(\zeta_2 \otimes \zeta_1) &= M_{1,1}^2, \end{aligned}$$

and $L_{R*}(\zeta_j^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_{j'}^{2^{k'}}) = 0$ in all other cases.

From this we easily obtain

Proposition 6.1.12 $\iota \tilde{L}_*(\zeta_n \otimes \zeta_{n'}) = \zeta_{n-1}^2 \zeta_{n'-1}^2 \otimes M_{1,1} \otimes 1 + \zeta_{n-2}^4 \zeta_{n'-1}^2 \otimes M_{1,1}^2 \otimes 1$
 where now $\zeta_{n-2} = 0$ for $n = 1$ is understood. □

Solving $\tilde{L}_*(\zeta_n, \zeta_{n'})$ from these equations is then straightforward. In this way we

obtain

$$\tilde{L}_*(\zeta_1, \zeta_1) = M_{1,1}$$

$$\tilde{L}_*(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = M_{2,1,1}$$

$$\tilde{L}_*(\zeta_2, \zeta_1) = M_{2,1,1} + M_{1,1}^2$$

$$\tilde{L}_*(\zeta_2, \zeta_2) = M_{4,1,1} + M_{2,3,1} + M_{2,1,2,1}$$

$$\tilde{L}_*(\zeta_1, \zeta_3) = M_{4,2,1,1}$$

$$\tilde{L}_*(\zeta_3, \zeta_1) = M_{4,2,1,1} + M_{2,1,1}^2$$

$$\tilde{L}_*(\zeta_2, \zeta_3) = M_{6,2,1,1} + M_{4,4,1,1} + M_{4,2,3,1} + M_{4,2,1,2,1} + M_{2,4,2,1,1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{L}_*(\zeta_3, \zeta_2) = & M_{6,2,1,1} + M_{4,4,1,1} + M_{4,2,3,1} + M_{4,2,1,2,1} + M_{2,4,2,1,1} \\ & + M_5^2 + M_{4,1}^2 + M_{3,2}^2 + M_{2,1,1,1}^2 + M_1^2 M_{2,1,1}^2 + M_1^4 M_3^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{L}_*(\zeta_3, \zeta_3) = & M_{8,4,1,1} + M_{8,2,3,1} + M_{8,2,1,2,1} + M_{4,6,3,1} + M_{4,6,1,2,1} \\ & + M_{4,2,5,2,1} + M_{4,2,4,3,1} + M_{4,2,4,1,2,1} + M_{4,2,1,4,2,1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{L}_*(\zeta_1, \zeta_4) = M_{8,4,2,1,1}$$

$$\tilde{L}_*(\zeta_4, \zeta_1) = M_{8,4,2,1,1} + M_{4,2,1,1}^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{L}_*(\zeta_2, \zeta_4) = & M_{10,4,2,1,1} + M_{8,6,2,1,1} + M_{8,4,4,1,1} + M_{8,4,2,3,1} + M_{8,4,2,1,2,1} \\ & + M_{8,2,4,2,1,1} + M_{2,8,4,2,1,1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{L}_*(\zeta_4, \zeta_2) = & M_{10,4,2,1,1} + M_{8,6,2,1,1} + M_{8,4,4,1,1} + M_{8,4,2,3,1} + M_{8,4,2,1,2,1} \\ & + M_{8,2,4,2,1,1} + M_{2,8,4,2,1,1} \\ & + M_9^2 + M_{7,2}^2 + M_{5,4}^2 + M_{6,2,1}^2 + M_{4,4,1}^2 + M_{4,3,2}^2 + M_{4,2,1,1,1}^2 \\ & + M_{3,4,2}^2 + M_{2,4,2,1}^2 + M_1^2 M_{4,2,1,1}^2 + M_1^8 M_5^2 + M_{2,1}^4 M_3^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{L}_*(\zeta_3, \zeta_4) = & M_{12,6,2,1,1} + M_{12,4,4,1,1} + M_{12,4,2,3,1} + M_{12,4,2,1,2,1} + M_{12,2,4,2,1,1} \\ & + M_{8,8,4,1,1} + M_{8,8,2,3,1} + M_{8,8,2,1,2,1} + M_{8,4,6,3,1} + M_{8,4,6,1,2,1} \\ & + M_{8,4,2,5,2,1} + M_{8,4,2,4,3,1} + M_{8,4,2,4,1,2,1} + M_{8,4,2,1,4,2,1} \\ & + M_{4,10,4,2,1,1} + M_{4,8,6,2,1,1} + M_{4,8,4,4,1,1} + M_{4,8,4,2,3,1} \\ & + M_{4,8,4,2,1,2,1} + M_{4,8,2,4,2,1,1} + M_{4,2,8,4,2,1,1}, \end{aligned}$$

etc.

Having \tilde{L}_* we then can obtain L_* by the dual of (6.1.8) as

$$L_*(x, y) = \sum \zeta_1 x_\ell y_{\ell'} \otimes \tilde{L}_*(x_r, y_{r'}) \quad (6.1.13)$$

for $x, y \in \mathcal{A}_*$, with

$$m_*(x) = \sum x_\ell \otimes x_r, \quad m_*(y) = \sum y_{\ell'} \otimes y_{r'}.$$

6.2. The symmetry operator S and its dual

Definition 6.2.1 The symmetry operator

$$S : R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$$

of degree -1 is defined as follows. For odd p , let S be the zero map. For $p = 2$ let the elements $S_n \in \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$, $n \geq 0$, be given by

$$S_n = \sum_{\substack{n_1+n_2=n-1 \\ n_1, n_2 \text{ odd}}} \text{Sq}^{n_1} \otimes \text{Sq}^{n_2} = (\text{Sq}^1 \otimes \text{Sq}^1)\delta(\text{Sq}^{n-3}),$$

i. e.

$$\begin{aligned} S_{2k} &= 0, \\ S_{2k+1} &= \sum_{0 \leq i < k} \text{Sq}^{2i+1} \otimes \text{Sq}^{2(k-i)-1}, \end{aligned}$$

$k \geq 0$. Then let the linear map $S_{\mathcal{F}} : \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 2} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$ be given by

$$\begin{aligned} S_{\mathcal{F}}(\text{Sq}^n \text{Sq}^m) &= S_n \delta(\text{Sq}^m) + \delta(\text{Sq}^n) S_m + \delta(\text{Sq}^{n-1}) S_{m+1} \\ &= (\text{Sq}^1 \otimes \text{Sq}^1)\delta(\text{Sq}^{n-3} \text{Sq}^m) + \delta(\text{Sq}^n)(\text{Sq}^1 \otimes \text{Sq}^1)\delta(\text{Sq}^{m-3}) \\ &\quad + \delta(\text{Sq}^{n-1})(\text{Sq}^1 \otimes \text{Sq}^1)\delta(\text{Sq}^{m-2}), \end{aligned}$$

$n, m \geq 0$. Next define the map $S_R : R_{\mathcal{F}}^{\leq 2} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$ by restriction to $R_{\mathcal{F}}^{\leq 2} \subset \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 2}$. Thus on the Adem relations this map is given by

$$S_R[n, m] = S_{\mathcal{F}}(\text{Sq}^n \text{Sq}^m) + \sum_{k=\max\{0, n-m+1\}}^{\min\{n/2, m-1\}} \binom{m-k-1}{n-2k} S_{\mathcal{F}}(\text{Sq}^{n+m-k} \text{Sq}^k). \tag{6.2.2}$$

Now let us define the map

$$\bar{S} : \bar{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$$

as a unique right \mathcal{A} -module homomorphism satisfying

$$\bar{S}(\overline{\alpha[n, m]}) = \delta(\alpha) S_R[n, m] + (1 + T)\bar{L}(\alpha \otimes \overline{[n, m]})$$

for $\alpha[n, m] \in \text{PAR}$. Then finally this determines a unique linear map $S : R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$ by composing with the quotient map $R_{\mathcal{F}} \twoheadrightarrow \bar{R}$.

The map S is the symmetry operator in [3, 14.5.2] where the following lemma is proved.

Lemma 6.2.3 *The map \bar{S} satisfies the equations*

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{S}([n, m]) &= S_R[n, m] \\ \bar{S}(ar) &= \delta(a)\bar{S}(r) + (1 + T)\bar{L}(a \otimes r) \\ \bar{S}(ra) &= \bar{S}(r)\delta(a) \end{aligned}$$

for any $0 < n < 2m$, $a \in \mathcal{A}$ and $r \in \bar{R}$.

We now turn to the dual $S_* : \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}_*}$ of S (dually to the above, the image of this operator actually lies in $\bar{R}_* \subset R_{\mathcal{F}_*}$ and so defines the operator $\bar{S}_* : \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \bar{R}_*$). Since we know that S_* is a biderivation, it suffices to compute the values $S_*(\zeta_n \otimes \zeta_{n'})$. Now dually to the equation

$$\begin{aligned} S(a[n, m]b) &= \delta(a)S_R([n, m])\delta(b) + (1 + T)L(a \otimes [n, m]b) \\ &= \delta(a)S_R([n, m])\delta(b) + (1 + T)(\delta\kappa(a)L_R([n, m])\delta(b)) \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\iota S_*(\zeta_n \otimes \zeta_{n'}) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{i+j+k=n \\ i'+j'+k'=n'}} \left(\zeta_i^{2^{j+k}} \zeta_{i'}^{2^{j'+k'}} \otimes S_{R_*}(\zeta_j^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_{j'}^{2^{k'}}) \otimes \zeta_k \zeta_{k'} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \zeta_1 \zeta_i^{2^{j+k}} \zeta_{i'}^{2^{j'+k'}} \otimes \left(L_{R_*}(\zeta_j^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_{j'}^{2^{k'}}) + L_{R_*}(\zeta_{j'}^{2^{k'}} \otimes \zeta_j^{2^k}) \right) \otimes \zeta_k \zeta_{k'} \right) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{i+j+k=n \\ i'+j'+k'=n'}} \zeta_i^{2^{j+k}} \zeta_{i'}^{2^{j'+k'}} \otimes S_{R_*}(\zeta_j^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_{j'}^{2^{k'}}) \otimes \zeta_k \zeta_{k'} \\ &\quad + \zeta_1 \zeta_{n-2} \zeta_{n'-1}^2 \otimes M_{1,1}^2 \otimes 1 + \zeta_1 \zeta_{n-1} \zeta_{n'-2}^4 \otimes M_{1,1}^2 \otimes 1, \end{aligned}$$

with $\zeta_0 = 1$ and $\zeta_n = 0$ for $n < 0$, as before.

It thus remains to find the values $S_{R_*}(\zeta_j^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_{j'}^{2^{k'}})$ — which in turn are images of the corresponding values of $S_{\mathcal{F}_*}$ under the map $\mathcal{F}_* \rightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}_*}$. To find the latter, let us first define another intermediate operator

$$S^1 : \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$$

by the equation

$$S^1(\text{Sq}^n) = S_{n+1} = (\text{Sq}^1 \otimes \text{Sq}^1)\delta\kappa\kappa(\text{Sq}^n) = \sum_{\substack{n_1+n_2=n \\ n_1, n_2 \text{ odd}}} \text{Sq}^{n_1} \otimes \text{Sq}^{n_2},$$

so that we have

$$\begin{aligned} S_{\mathcal{F}}m(\text{Sq}^n \otimes \text{Sq}^m) &= S_{\mathcal{F}}(\text{Sq}^n \text{Sq}^m) \\ &= S^1\chi(\text{Sq}^n)\delta(\text{Sq}^m) + \delta(\text{Sq}^n)S^1\chi(\text{Sq}^m) + \delta\chi(\text{Sq}^n)S^1(\text{Sq}^m). \end{aligned}$$

We have the dual operator

$$S_*^1 : \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1}$$

such that dual

$$S_{\mathcal{F}*} : \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2}$$

of $S_{\mathcal{F}}$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} m_*S_{\mathcal{F}*}(x \otimes y) &= \\ &= \sum (\zeta_1 S_*^1(x_\ell \otimes y_{\ell'}) \otimes (x_r y_{r'})^{\leq 1} + (x_\ell y_{\ell'})^{\leq 1} \otimes \zeta_1 S_*^1(x_r \otimes y_{r'})) \\ &\quad + (\zeta_1 x_\ell y_{\ell'})^{\leq 1} \otimes S_*^1(x_r \otimes y_{r'}) \end{aligned} \tag{6.2.4}$$

where as before we use the Sweedler notation

$$m_*(x) = \sum x_\ell \otimes x_r, \quad m_*(y) = \sum y_{\ell'} \otimes y_{r'}$$

and

$$(_)^{\leq 1} : \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1}$$

sends ζ_1 to M_1 and all other Milnor generators to 0. Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} & m_*S_{\mathcal{F}*}(\zeta_j^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_{j'}^{2^{k'}}) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{\ell+r=j \\ \ell'+r'=j'}} \zeta_1 S_*^1(\zeta_\ell^{2^{r+k}} \otimes \zeta_{\ell'}^{2^{r'+k'}}) \otimes (\zeta_r^{2^k} \zeta_{r'}^{2^{k'}})^{\leq 1} \\ &\quad + (\zeta_\ell^{2^{r+k}} \zeta_{\ell'}^{2^{r'+k'}})^{\leq 1} \otimes \zeta_1 S_*^1(\zeta_r^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_{r'}^{2^{k'}}) + (\zeta_1 \zeta_\ell^{2^{r+k}} \zeta_{\ell'}^{2^{r'+k'}})^{\leq 1} \otimes S_*^1(\zeta_r^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_{r'}^{2^{k'}}) \end{aligned}$$

Now the operator S_*^1 is obviously given by

$$S_*^1(x \otimes y) = \begin{cases} xy, & x = \zeta_1^{n_1}, y = \zeta_1^{n_2}, n_1, n_2 \text{ odd,} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \tag{6.2.5}$$

so that $S_{\mathcal{F}*}(\zeta_j^{2^k} \otimes \zeta_{j'}^{2^{k'}}) = 0$ whenever $k > 0$ or $k' > 0$. And among the remaining values $S_{\mathcal{F}*}(\zeta_j \otimes \zeta_{j'})$ the only nonzero ones are given by

$$\begin{aligned} S_{\mathcal{F}*}(\zeta_1 \otimes \zeta_1) &= M_3 + M_{1,2} = M_1^3 + M_{2,1}, \\ S_{\mathcal{F}*}(\zeta_1 \otimes \zeta_2) &= S_{\mathcal{F}*}(\zeta_2 \otimes \zeta_1) = M_{2,3} + M_{3,2} = M_1 M_{1,1}^2, \\ S_{\mathcal{F}*}(\zeta_2 \otimes \zeta_2) &= M_{5,2} + M_{4,3} = M_1 M_{2,1}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Then further passing to S_{R*} means, as before, removing the monomials not containing $M_{1,1}$, so that the only nonzero values of the form $S_{R*}(\zeta_j^{2k} \otimes \zeta_{j'}^{2k'})$ are

$$S_{R*}(\zeta_1 \otimes \zeta_2) = S_{R*}(\zeta_2 \otimes \zeta_1) = M_1 M_{1,1}^2.$$

Hence we obtain

Proposition 6.2.6

$$\begin{aligned} \iota S_*(\zeta_n \otimes \zeta_{n'}) &= \zeta_{n-1}^2 \zeta_{n'-2}^4 \otimes M_1 M_{1,1}^2 \otimes 1 + \zeta_{n-2}^4 \zeta_{n'-1}^2 \otimes M_1 M_{1,1}^2 \otimes 1 \\ &\quad + \zeta_1 \zeta_{n-2}^4 \zeta_{n'-1}^2 \otimes M_{1,1}^2 \otimes 1 + \zeta_1 \zeta_{n-1}^2 \zeta_{n'-2}^4 \otimes M_{1,1}^2 \otimes 1. \end{aligned}$$

□

As for \tilde{L}_* above, we then solve these equations obtaining e. g.

$$\begin{aligned} S_*(\zeta_1, \zeta_1) &= 0, \\ S_*(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) &= S_*(\zeta_2, \zeta_1) = M_{2,2,1} + M_1 M_{1,1}^2, \\ S_*(\zeta_2, \zeta_2) &= 0, \\ S_*(\zeta_1, \zeta_3) &= S_*(\zeta_3, \zeta_1) = M_{4,2,2,1} + M_1 M_{2,1,1}^2, \\ S_*(\zeta_2, \zeta_3) &= S_*(\zeta_3, \zeta_2) = M_{6,2,2,1} + M_{4,4,2,1} + M_{2,4,2,2,1} + M_1 M_5^2 + M_1 M_{4,1}^2 \\ &\quad + M_1 M_{3,2}^2 + M_1 M_{2,1,1,1}^2 + M_1^3 M_{2,1,1}^2 + M_1^5 M_3^2, \\ S_*(\zeta_3, \zeta_3) &= 0, \\ S_*(\zeta_1, \zeta_4) &= S_*(\zeta_4, \zeta_1) = M_{8,4,2,2,1} + M_1 M_{4,2,1,1}^2, \\ S_*(\zeta_2, \zeta_4) &= S_*(\zeta_4, \zeta_2) = M_{10,4,2,2,1} + M_{8,6,2,2,1} + M_{8,4,4,2,1} + M_{8,2,4,2,2,1} \\ &\quad + M_{2,8,4,2,2,1} \\ &\quad + M_1 M_9^2 + M_1 M_{7,2}^2 + M_1 M_{6,2,1}^2 + M_1 M_{5,4}^2 + M_1 M_{4,4,1}^2 \\ &\quad + M_1 M_{4,3,2}^2 + M_1 M_{4,2,1,1,1}^2 + M_1 M_{3,4,2}^2 + M_1 M_{2,4,2,1}^2 \\ &\quad + M_1 M_{2,1}^2 M_3^2 + M_1^3 M_{4,2,1,1}^2 + M_1^9 M_5^2, \end{aligned}$$

etc.

7. The extended Steenrod algebra and its cocycle

We show that the dual invariant S_* determines a singular extension of the Hopf algebra structure of the Steenrod algebra. We also give a formula for a cocycle representing the extension. Then we show that S_* is related to a formula which describes the main result of Kristensen on secondary cohomology operations. A proof of this formula has not appeared in the literature yet.

7.1. Singular extensions of Hopf algebras

In this section we introduce a singular extension $\hat{\mathcal{A}}$ of the Steenrod algebra \mathcal{A} which is determined by the symmetry operator S .

Definition 7.1.1 A singular extension of a Hopf algebra A is a direct sum diagram

$$R \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{i} \\ \xleftarrow{q} \end{array} \hat{A} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{p} \\ \xleftarrow{s} \end{array} A,$$

i. e. one has $ps = \text{id}_A$, $qi = \text{id}_R$ and $sp + iq = \text{id}_{\hat{A}}$, such that \hat{A} is an algebra with multiplication $\mu : \hat{A} \otimes \hat{A} \rightarrow \hat{A}$ and \hat{A} is also a coalgebra with diagonal $\hat{\delta} : \hat{A} \rightarrow \hat{A} \otimes \hat{A}$. (Here we do not assume that $\hat{\delta}$ is a homomorphism of algebras, or equivalently that μ is a homomorphism of coalgebras, so that in general \hat{A} is not a Hopf algebra). In addition p is an algebra homomorphism, and s is a coalgebra homomorphism. Moreover (i, p) must be a singular extension of algebras and (q, s) must be a singular extension of coalgebras. This means that the ideal $R = \ker i$ of the algebra \hat{A} is a square zero ideal, i. e. $xy = 0$ for any $x, y \in R$, and the coideal $R = \text{coker } s$ of the coalgebra \hat{A} is a square zero coideal, i. e. the composite

$$\hat{A} \xrightarrow{\hat{\delta}} \hat{A} \otimes \hat{A} \xrightarrow{q \otimes q} R \otimes R$$

is zero.

It follows that the \hat{A} - \hat{A} -bimodule and \hat{A} - \hat{A} -bicomodule structures on R descend to A - A -bimodule and A - A -bicomodule structures respectively.

Our basic example of a singular Hopf algebra extension is as follows. We have seen that \bar{R} from (6.1.1) has an \mathcal{A} - \mathcal{A} -bimodule structure. Now it also has an \mathcal{A} - \mathcal{A} -bicomodule structure as follows. On the one hand, there is a diagonal $\Delta_R : R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}}^{(2)} = \ker(q_{\mathcal{F}} \otimes q_{\mathcal{F}})$ induced in the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} R_{\mathcal{F}} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{F}_0 & \xrightarrow{q_{\mathcal{F}}} & \mathcal{A} \\ \Delta \downarrow & & \downarrow \Delta & & \downarrow \delta \\ R_{\mathcal{F}}^{(2)} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{F}_0 \otimes \mathcal{F}_0 & \xrightarrow{q_{\mathcal{F}} \otimes q_{\mathcal{F}}} & \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \end{array}$$

with short exact rows. Moreover there is a short exact sequence

$$R_{\mathcal{F}} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \xrightarrow{i^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} i_{\mathcal{F}} \otimes 1 \\ -1 \otimes i_{\mathcal{F}} \end{pmatrix}} \mathcal{F}_0 \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \oplus R_{\mathcal{F}} \otimes \mathcal{F}_0 \twoheadrightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}}^{(2)},$$

where $i_{\mathcal{F}} : R_{\mathcal{F}} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F}_0$ is the inclusion. Since the composite of the quotient map

$$\mathcal{F}_0 \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \oplus R_{\mathcal{F}} \otimes \mathcal{F}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \bar{R} \oplus \bar{R} \otimes \mathcal{A}$$

with $i^{(2)}$ is obviously zero, we get the induced map

$$R_{\mathcal{F}}^{(2)} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \bar{R} \oplus \bar{R} \otimes \mathcal{A}.$$

Moreover the diagonal of \mathcal{F}_0 factors through this map as follows

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \bar{R} & \longleftarrow & R_{\mathcal{F}} & \xhookrightarrow{i_{\mathcal{F}}} & \mathcal{F}_0 & \xrightarrow{q_{\mathcal{F}}} & \mathcal{A} \\
 \downarrow (\Delta_{\ell}, \Delta_r) & & \downarrow \Delta & & \downarrow \Delta & & \downarrow \delta \\
 \mathcal{A} \otimes \bar{R} \oplus \bar{R} \otimes \mathcal{A} & \longleftarrow & R^{(2)} & \xhookrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{F}_0 \otimes \mathcal{F}_0 & \xrightarrow{q_{\mathcal{F}} \otimes q_{\mathcal{F}}} & \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}
 \end{array} \tag{7.1.2}$$

giving the left, resp. right coaction Δ_{ℓ} , resp. Δ_r of the desired \mathcal{A} - \mathcal{A} -bicomodule structure on \bar{R} .

Note that the above construction is actually precisely dual to the standard procedure for equipping the kernel of a singular extension with a structure of a bimodule over a base. In particular we could use the dual diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \mathcal{A} \otimes \bar{R} \oplus \bar{R} \otimes \mathcal{A} & \longleftarrow & R^{(2)} & \xhookrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{F}_0 \otimes \mathcal{F}_0 & \xrightarrow{q_{\mathcal{F}} \otimes q_{\mathcal{F}}} & \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \\
 \downarrow (m_{\ell}, m_r) & & \downarrow m & & \downarrow m & & \downarrow m \\
 \bar{R} & \longleftarrow & R_{\mathcal{F}} & \xhookrightarrow{i_{\mathcal{F}}} & \mathcal{F}_0 & \xrightarrow{q_{\mathcal{F}}} & \mathcal{A}
 \end{array} \tag{7.1.3}$$

to give \bar{R} via m_{ℓ} and m_r the structure of \mathcal{A} - \mathcal{A} -bimodule.

Theorem 7.1.4 *There is a unique singular extension of Hopf algebras*

$$\Sigma^{-1} \bar{R} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{i} \\ \xleftarrow{q} \end{array} \hat{\mathcal{A}} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{p} \\ \xleftarrow{s} \end{array} \mathcal{A},$$

where $\hat{\mathcal{A}}$ is the split singular extension of algebras, that is, as an algebra

$$\hat{\mathcal{A}} = \mathcal{A} \oplus \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}$$

is the semidirect product with multiplication

$$(a, r)(a', r') = (aa', ar' + ra')$$

and the following conditions are satisfied.

The induced \mathcal{A} - \mathcal{A} -bimodule and \mathcal{A} - \mathcal{A} -bicomodule structures on $\Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}$ are given by the ones indicated in (7.1.2) above, and the diagonal $\hat{\delta}$ of the coalgebra $\hat{\mathcal{A}}$ fits into the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \hat{\mathcal{A}} & \xrightarrow{\hat{\delta}} & \hat{\mathcal{A}} \otimes \hat{\mathcal{A}} \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow 1+T \\
 \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R} & \xrightarrow{S} & \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \hookrightarrow \hat{\mathcal{A}} \otimes \hat{\mathcal{A}}
 \end{array} \tag{7.1.5}$$

where S is the symmetry operator in (6.2.1).

We will prove this theorem together with the dual statement. Note that clearly the dual of a singular extension of any Hopf algebra A is a singular extension of the dual Hopf algebra A_* . Clearly then the above theorem is equivalent to

Theorem 7.1.6 *There is a unique singular extension of Hopf algebras*

$$\Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}_* \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{q_*} \\ \xleftrightarrow{i_*} \\ \xleftarrow{p_*} \end{matrix} \hat{\mathcal{A}}_* \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{s_*} \\ \xleftrightarrow{p_*} \\ \xleftarrow{q_*} \end{matrix} \mathcal{A}_*,$$

where $\hat{\mathcal{A}}_*$ is the split singular extension of coalgebras, that is, as a coalgebra

$$\hat{\mathcal{A}}_* = \mathcal{A}_* \oplus \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}_*$$

with diagonal

$$\mathcal{A}_* \oplus \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}_* \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} m_* & 0 \\ 0 & m_{\ell_*} \\ 0 & m_{r_*} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \oplus \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}_* \oplus \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \oplus \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}_* \otimes \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}_*$$

where the diagonal m_* is dual to the multiplication $m : \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ and m_{ℓ_*}, m_{r_*} are the $\mathcal{A}_* \text{-}\mathcal{A}_*$ -bicomodule structure maps dual to the $\mathcal{A} \text{-}\mathcal{A}$ -bicomodule structure maps $m_{\ell} : \mathcal{A} \otimes \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R} \rightarrow \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}$, $m_r : \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R} \otimes \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}$ in (7.1.3), where the induced $\mathcal{A}_* \text{-}\mathcal{A}_*$ -bicomodule structure on \bar{R}_* is dual to the $\mathcal{A} \text{-}\mathcal{A}$ -bicomodule structure indicated in (7.1.2) above, and where the multiplication $\hat{\delta}_*$ of the algebra $\hat{\mathcal{A}}_*$ satisfies the commutation rule

$$p_*(y)p_*(x) = p_*(x)p_*(y) + S_*(x \otimes y)$$

for any $x, y \in \mathcal{A}_*$, where

$$S_* : \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}_*$$

is the cosympetry operator from (4.8.6).

Proof of (7.1.4) and (7.1.6): The diagonal $\hat{\delta}$ can be written as follows

$$\mathcal{A} \oplus \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R} \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} \phi_{11} & \phi_{12} \\ \phi_{21} & \phi_{22} \\ \phi_{31} & \phi_{32} \\ \phi_{41} & \phi_{42} \end{pmatrix}} \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \oplus \mathcal{A} \otimes \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R} \oplus \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R} \otimes \mathcal{A} \oplus \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R} \otimes \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}.$$

Then the condition that $s : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \oplus \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}$ is a coalgebra homomorphism implies $\phi_{11} = \delta$ and $\phi_{21} = 0$, $\phi_{31} = 0$, $\phi_{41} = 0$. Moreover the condition that the $\mathcal{A} \text{-}\mathcal{A}$ -bicomodule structure induced on $\Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}$ coincides with the one given in (7.1.2)

implies $\phi_{22} = \Delta_\ell, \phi_{32} = \Delta_r$. Next the condition that (s, q) is a singular extension of coalgebras, i. e. the coideal \bar{R} has zero comultiplication, implies $\phi_{42} = 0$. Finally, let us look at the diagram (7.1.5). The lower composite in this diagram sends $(a, r) \in \mathcal{A} \oplus \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}$ to

$$(S(r), 0, 0, 0) \in \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \oplus \mathcal{A} \otimes \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R} \oplus \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R} \otimes \mathcal{A} \oplus \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R} \otimes \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}.$$

The upper composite sends it to

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 + T)\hat{\delta}(a, r) \\ &= (1 + T)(\delta(a) + \phi_{12}(r), \Delta_\ell(r), \Delta_r(r), 0) \\ &= ((1 + T)\delta(a) + (1 + T)\phi_{12}(r), \Delta_\ell(r) + T\Delta_r(r), \Delta_r(r) + T\Delta_\ell(r), 0). \end{aligned}$$

Since δ is cocommutative, one has $(1 + T)\delta = 0$. Moreover cocommutativity of $\Delta : \mathcal{F}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_0 \otimes \mathcal{F}_0$ implies $T\Delta_\ell = \Delta_r, T\Delta_r = \Delta_\ell$. Thus commutativity of (7.1.5) is equivalent to the condition

$$(1 + T)\phi_{12} = S : \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}. \tag{7.1.7}$$

Equivalently, passing to the dual we see that the dual map $\xi_* = \phi_{12*} : \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}_*$ must satisfy

$$\xi_*(1 + T) = S_*.$$

Now it is easy to see that ξ_* is in fact the algebra cocycle determining the algebra extension

$$\bar{R}_* \xrightarrow{q_*} \hat{\mathcal{A}}_* \xrightarrow{s_*} \mathcal{A}_*,$$

that is, in $\hat{\mathcal{A}}_* = \mathcal{A}_* \oplus \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}_*$ one has

$$(\alpha, \beta)(\alpha', \beta') = (\alpha\alpha', \alpha\beta' + \beta\alpha' + \xi_*(\alpha \otimes \alpha')).$$

Hence by (7.1.7) one has

$$(\alpha, \beta)(\alpha', \beta') - (\alpha', \beta')(\alpha, \beta) = (0, S_*(\alpha \otimes \alpha')).$$

Now recall that \mathcal{A}_* is actually a polynomial algebra. Using this fact it has been shown in [3, 16.2] that the algebra structure of any of its singular extensions such as $\hat{\mathcal{A}}_*$ above is completely determined by its commutator map, i. e. by S_* . Thus ϕ_{12*} and hence the whole ϕ_{ij} matrix is uniquely determined. It is then straightforward to check that indeed this matrix yields a coalgebra structure on $\hat{\mathcal{A}}$ with desired properties. □

It follows immediately from (7.1.6) (and actually this was also deduced during its proof) that one has

Corollary 7.1.8 *For the cosympetry operator S_* from (4.8.6) there exists a map*

$$\xi_* : \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}_*$$

which is a 2-cocycle, i. e. for any $x, y, z \in \mathcal{A}_*$ one has

$$x\xi_*(y, z) + \xi_*(x, yz) = z\xi_*(x, y) + \xi_*(xy, z)$$

and such that its symmetrization is equal to S_* , i. e. for any $x, y \in \mathcal{A}_*$ one has

$$\xi_*(x, y) + \xi_*(y, x) = S_*(x, y).$$

Proof: This follows since any extension

$$M \xrightarrow{i} A' \xrightarrow{p} A$$

of a commutative algebra A by a symmetric A -module M is determined by a 2-cocycle $c : A \otimes A \rightarrow M$ such that for any $x, y \in A'$ one has

$$xy - yx = i(c(px, py) - c(py, px)),$$

i. e. the commutator map for A' is given by the antisymmetrization of c . Of course for $p = 2$ there is no difference between symmetrization and antisymmetrization. \square

Remark 7.1.9 The above corollary is easily seen to be exactly dual to [3, Theorem 16.1.5].

Using the extended Steenrod algebra we can next compute the deviation of the cocycle ξ_* from being an \mathcal{A}_* -comodule homomorphism. Namely, let

$$\nabla_{\xi_*} : \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}_*$$

be the difference between the upper and lower composites in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* & \xrightarrow{\text{coaction}} & \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \\ \xi_* \downarrow & & \downarrow 1 \otimes \xi_* \\ \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}_* & \xrightarrow{\text{coaction}} & \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \Sigma^{-1} \bar{R}_*. \end{array} \tag{7.1.10}$$

Thus on elements we have

$$\nabla_{\xi_*}(x, y) = \sum \xi_*(x, y)_{\mathcal{A}} \otimes \xi_*(x, y)_R - \sum x_\ell y_{\ell'} \otimes \xi_*(x_r, y_{r'}), \tag{7.1.11}$$

where again the Sweedler notation is used,

$$m_*(x) = \sum x_\ell \otimes x_r$$

for the diagonal

$$m_* : \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_*$$

and

$$a_*(x) = \sum x_{\mathcal{A}} \otimes x_C$$

for the coaction

$$a_* : C \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \otimes C$$

of a left \mathcal{A}_* -comodule C .

Let us also denote by ∇_{S_*} the similar operator but with S_* in place of ξ_* . That is, we define

$$\nabla_{S_*}(x, y) = \sum S_*(x, y)_{\mathcal{A}} \otimes S_*(x, y)_R - \sum x_\ell y_{\ell'} \otimes S_*(x_r, y_{r'}).$$

We then obviously have

$$\nabla_{\xi_*}(x, y) + \nabla_{\xi_*}(y, x) = \nabla_{S_*}(x, y) \tag{7.1.12}$$

for any $x, y \in \mathcal{A}_*$.

Lemma 7.1.13 *The map ∇_{ξ_*} above is a 2-cocycle, i. e. for any $x, y, z \in \mathcal{A}_*$ one has*

$$m_*(x) \nabla_{\xi_*}(y, z) + \nabla_{\xi_*}(x, yz) = \nabla_{\xi_*}(x, y) m_*(z) + \nabla_{\xi_*}(xy, z).$$

Proof: First note that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \bar{R}_* & \xrightarrow{m_* \otimes \text{coaction}} & \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \bar{R}_* \\
 \downarrow \text{action} & & \searrow 1 \otimes T \otimes 1 \\
 & & \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \bar{R}_* \\
 & & \downarrow \delta_* \otimes \text{action} \\
 \bar{R}_* & \xrightarrow{\text{coaction}} & \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \bar{R}_*
 \end{array}$$

commutes — this follows from the fact that the action and coaction of \mathcal{A}_* on \bar{R}_* are induced from the multiplication and comultiplication in \mathcal{F}_* which is a Hopf algebra.

We thus conclude that the coaction map

$$\bar{R}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \bar{R}_*$$

is a homomorphism of \mathcal{A}_* -modules, so that its composite with the cocycle ξ_* is a cocycle. It thus remains to show that the composite

$$\mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \bar{R}_*$$

in the diagram (7.1.10) is also a cocycle. Let us denote this composite by ϕ .

Observe that the Hopf algebra diagram for \mathcal{A}_* expressing interchange of the multiplication and diagonal can be written on elements as follows:

$$\sum (xy)_\ell \otimes (xy)_r = \sum x_\ell y_{\ell'} \otimes x_r y_{r'}.$$

Using this identity we then have for any $x, y, z \in \mathcal{A}_*$

$$\begin{aligned} m_*(x)\phi(y, z) &= \sum x_\ell y_{\ell'} z_{\ell''} \otimes x_r \xi_*(y_{r'}, z_{r''}); \\ \phi(x, yz) &= \sum x_\ell (yz)_{\ell'} \otimes \xi_*(x_r, (yz)_{r'}) \\ &= (\delta_* \otimes \xi_*) \left(\sum x_\ell \otimes (yz)_{\ell'} \otimes x_r \otimes (yz)_{r'} \right) \\ &= (\delta_* \otimes \xi_*) \left(\sum x_\ell \otimes y_{\ell'} z_{\ell''} \otimes x_r \otimes y_{r'} z_{r''} \right) \\ &= \sum x_\ell y_{\ell'} z_{\ell''} \otimes \xi_*(x_r, y_{r'} z_{r''}); \\ \phi(xy, z) &= \sum (xy)_{\ell} z_{\ell'} \otimes \xi_*((xy)_r, z_{r'}) \\ &= (\delta_* \otimes \xi_*) \left(\sum (xy)_{\ell} \otimes z_{\ell'} \otimes (xy)_r \otimes z_{r'} \right) \\ &= (\delta_* \otimes \xi_*) \left(\sum x_\ell y_{\ell'} \otimes z_{\ell''} \otimes x_r y_{r'} \otimes z_{r''} \right) \\ &= \sum x_\ell y_{\ell'} z_{\ell''} \otimes \xi_*(x_r y_{r'}, z_{r''}); \\ \phi(x, y)m_*(z) &= \sum x_\ell y_{\ell'} z_{\ell''} \otimes \xi_*(x_r, y_{r'}) z_{r''}. \end{aligned}$$

These identities readily imply that ϕ is a cocycle as required. □

We next use the fact the cocycle ∇_{ξ_*} is defined on a polynomial algebra and hence can be expressed by its values on generators and by its (anti)symmetrization ∇_{S_*} . Indeed the proof of [3, 16.2.3] works in this generality, i. e. one has

Proposition 7.1.14 *Let $P = k[\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots]$ be a polynomial algebra over a commutative ring k , let M be a P -module, let*

$$\gamma : P \otimes P \rightarrow M$$

be a Hochschild 2-cocycle, i. e. one has

$$x\gamma(y, z) - \gamma(xy, z) + \gamma(x, yz) - z\gamma(x, y) = 0$$

for all $x, y, z \in P$, and let σ be the antisymmetrization of γ , i. e.

$$\sigma(x, y) = \gamma(x, y) - \gamma(y, x).$$

Then, up to coboundaries, γ can be recovered from σ , i. e. there is a cocycle γ_σ cohomologous to γ which depends only on σ .

Proof: To γ corresponds a singular extension of k -algebras

$$M \xrightarrow{i} E \xrightarrow{p} P$$

whose isomorphism class uniquely determines the cohomology class of γ . Let us choose for each polynomial generator $\zeta_n \in P$ an element $s(\zeta_n) \in E$ with $ps(\zeta_n) = \zeta_n$. Furthermore let us choose an ordering on the polynomial generators of P , $\zeta_1 < \zeta_2 < \dots$; these data determine uniquely a k -linear section of p , by the formula

$$s(\zeta_{n_1}\zeta_{n_2}\dots) = s(\zeta_{n_1})s(\zeta_{n_2})\dots$$

for any finite sequence $n_1 \leq n_2 \leq \dots$ of positive integers. Then we can use s to construct a cocycle γ_σ cohomologous to γ determined by

$$s(xy) = s(x)s(y) + i\gamma_\sigma(x, y).$$

But if x and y are monomials, then $s(xy)$ and $s(x)s(y)$ differ only by the order of terms, so that $i\gamma_\sigma(x, y)$ is contained in the ideal generated by commutators

$$\gamma_\sigma(\zeta_i, \zeta_j) = s(\zeta_i)s(\zeta_j) - s(\zeta_j)s(\zeta_i) = \sigma(\zeta_i, \zeta_j)$$

for $i > j$. So in fact one can express each $\gamma_\sigma(x, y)$ by a linear combination of elements of M of the form $z\sigma(\zeta_i, \zeta_j)$ for $z \in P$. □

Remark 7.1.15 Obviously the above proof actually contains an algorithm for expressing the cocycle γ_σ in terms of σ . For $x = \zeta_{n_1}\zeta_{n_2}\dots\zeta_{n_k}$ and $y = \zeta_{m_1}\zeta_{m_2}\dots\zeta_{m_l}$, with $n_1 \leq n_2 \leq \dots \leq n_k$, $m_1 \leq m_2 \leq \dots \leq m_l$, either one has $n_k \leq m_1$, in which case $\gamma_\sigma(x, y) = 0$ since $s(x)s(y) = s(xy)$, or one has $n_k > m_1$, in which case one can write

$$\begin{aligned} & s(x)s(y) \\ = & s(\zeta_{n_1})\dots s(\zeta_{n_{k-1}})s(\zeta_{m_1})s(\zeta_{n_k})s(\zeta_{m_2})\dots s(\zeta_{m_l}) + \zeta_{n_1}\dots\zeta_{n_{k-1}}\zeta_{m_2}\dots\zeta_{m_l}\sigma(\zeta_{m_1}, \zeta_{n_k}). \end{aligned}$$

Applying the same procedure again several times one finally arrives at $s(xy) + (\text{a sum of elements of the form } z\sigma(\zeta_i, \zeta_j))$. In fact it is easy to see that one has

$$\begin{aligned} & \gamma_\sigma(\zeta_{n_1} \zeta_{n_2} \cdots \zeta_{n_k}, \zeta_{m_1} \zeta_{m_2} \cdots \zeta_{m_l}) \\ &= \sum_{n_i > m_j} \zeta_{n_1} \cdots \zeta_{n_{i-1}} \zeta_{n_{i+1}} \cdots \zeta_{n_k} \zeta_{m_1} \cdots \zeta_{m_{j-1}} \zeta_{m_{j+1}} \cdots \zeta_{m_l} \sigma(\zeta_{m_j}, \zeta_{n_i}). \end{aligned}$$

In the characteristic $p > 0$ case further obvious simplifications occur. In particular we can choose the cocycle ξ_* in (7.1.8) in such a way that the formula

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_*(\zeta_1^{d_1} \zeta_2^{d_2} \cdots \zeta_1^{e_1} \zeta_2^{e_2} \cdots) &= \\ \sum_{\substack{i < j \\ e_i, d_j \text{ odd}}} \zeta_1^{d_1+e_1} \cdots \zeta_{i-1}^{d_{i-1}+e_{i-1}} \zeta_i^{d_i+e_i-1} \zeta_{i+1}^{d_{i+1}+e_{i+1}} \cdots & \quad (7.1.16) \\ \zeta_{j-1}^{d_{j-1}+e_{j-1}} \zeta_j^{d_j+e_j-1} \zeta_{j+1}^{d_{j+1}+e_{j+1}} \cdots S_*(\zeta_i, \zeta_j) & \end{aligned}$$

holds

The operator ∇_{S_*} is readily computable. It is a symmetric biderivation, with $\nabla_{S_*}(x, x) = 0$ for all x , thus uniquely determined by its values of the form $\nabla_{S_*}(\zeta_n, \zeta_m)$ for $n < m$, which are expressed easily from the corresponding values of S_* . For example, one has

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{S_*}(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) &= \zeta_1 \otimes M_{1,1}^2, \\ \nabla_{S_*}(\zeta_1, \zeta_3) &= \zeta_1^5 \otimes M_{1,1}^2 + \zeta_1 \otimes M_{2,1,1}^2, \\ \nabla_{S_*}(\zeta_2, \zeta_3) &= (\zeta_1^7 + \zeta_1 \zeta_2^2) \otimes M_{1,1}^2 + \zeta_1^3 \otimes M_{2,1,1}^2 \\ &\quad + \zeta_1 \otimes (M_1^2 M_3 + M_1 M_{2,1,1} + M_5 + M_{4,1} + M_{3,2} + M_{2,1,1,1})^2, \\ \nabla_{S_*}(\zeta_1, \zeta_4) &= \zeta_1 \zeta_2^4 \otimes M_{1,1}^2 + \zeta_1^9 \otimes M_{2,1,1}^2 + \zeta_1 \otimes M_{4,2,1,1}^2, \\ \nabla_{S_*}(\zeta_2, \zeta_4) &= (\zeta_1^3 \zeta_2^4 + \zeta_1 \zeta_3^2) \otimes M_{1,1}^2 + \zeta_1^{11} \otimes M_{2,1,1}^2 \\ &\quad + \zeta_1^9 \otimes (M_1^2 M_3 + M_1 M_{2,1,1} + M_5 + M_{4,1} + M_{3,2} + M_{2,1,1,1})^2 \\ &\quad + \zeta_1^3 \otimes M_{4,2,1,1}^2 \\ &\quad + \zeta_1 \otimes (M_1^4 M_5 + M_{2,1}^2 M_3 + M_1^2 M_{4,2,1,1} + M_9 + M_{7,2} + M_{6,2,1} \\ &\quad \quad + M_{5,4} + M_{3,4,2} + M_{4,3,2} + M_{4,4,1} + M_{2,4,2,1} + M_{4,2,1,1,1})^2, \end{aligned}$$

etc.

7.2. The formula of Kristensen

We will next use certain elements defined in [13, Theorem 3.3] to derive more explicit expressions for ξ_* , hence for S_* , ∇_{S_*} and ∇_{ξ_*} . We recall that Kristensen defines

$$A[a, b] = (\text{Sq}^1 \otimes \text{Sq}^{0,1}) \delta \left(\text{Sq}^{a-3} \text{Sq}^{b-2} + \text{Sq}^{a-2} \text{Sq}^{b-3} + \sum_j \binom{b-1-j}{a-2j} (\text{Sq}^{a+b-j-3} \text{Sq}^{j-2} + \text{Sq}^{a+b-j-2} \text{Sq}^{j-3}) \right),$$

for natural numbers a, b . Obviously one has

$$A[a, b] = (\text{Sq}^1 \otimes \text{Sq}^{0,1}) \delta k([a, b]),$$

where k is the operator determined by

$$k(xy) = \kappa(\kappa\kappa(x)\kappa\kappa(y))$$

for $x, y \in \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1}$. We then interpret $A[a, b]$ as an \mathbb{F} -linear operator of the form

$$K : \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$$

given by

$$K(x \otimes y) = (\text{Sq}^1 \otimes \text{Sq}^{0,1}) \delta \kappa(\kappa\kappa(x)\kappa\kappa(y))$$

which is factored through $\mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 1} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 2}$ and then restricted to $R_{\mathcal{F}}^{\leq 2} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{F}_0^{\leq 2}$. We then can dualize K to get

Definition 7.2.1 We define an \mathbb{F} -linear operator

$$K_* : \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}}^{\leq 2}_*$$

as composite with the quotient map $\mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2} \twoheadrightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}}^{\leq 2}_*$ of the dual of K above (whose image lies in that of $m_* : \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1}$).

Thus explicitly, K_* is the composite

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* &\xrightarrow{\text{Sq}^{1,*} \otimes \text{Sq}^{0,1,*}} \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \xrightarrow{\delta_*} \mathcal{A}_* \xrightarrow{\xi_1} \mathcal{A}_* \\ &\twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{F}_* \xrightarrow{m_*} \mathcal{F}_* \otimes \mathcal{F}_* \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} \xrightarrow{M_1^2 \otimes M_1^2} \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} \end{aligned}$$

landing in $\mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1}$ and precomposed with $\mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2} \twoheadrightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}_*}^{\leq 2}$. Or on elements,

$$K_*(x \otimes y) = (M_1^2 \otimes M_1^2) \left(m_* \left(\zeta_1 \frac{\partial x}{\partial \xi_1} \frac{\partial y}{\partial \xi_2} \right) \right)^{\leq 1} = m_* \left(M_{1,1}^2 M_1 \frac{\partial x}{\partial \xi_1} \frac{\partial y}{\partial \xi_2} \right)^{\leq 1}.$$

One thus has

$$\begin{aligned} & K_*(\zeta_1^{n_1} \zeta_2^{n_2} \dots \otimes \zeta_1^{m_1} \zeta_2^{m_2} \dots) \\ &= \begin{cases} M_1^{n_1+m_1} M_{2,1}^{n_2+m_2-1} M_{1,1}^2, & n_1, m_2 \text{ odd, } n_i = m_i = 0 \text{ for } i > 2, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \end{aligned} \tag{7.2.2}$$

We have

Proposition 7.2.3 *Symmetrization of the operator K_* dual to the operator S_R in (6.2.2), i. e. is given by precomposing $S_{\mathcal{F}_*}$ given in (6.2.4) with the restriction map $\mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2} \twoheadrightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}_*}^{\leq 2}$.*

Proof: From the above formula (7.2.2), for monomials $x = \zeta_1^{n_1} \zeta_2^{n_2} \zeta_3^{n_3} \dots$ and $y = \zeta_1^{m_1} \zeta_2^{m_2} \zeta_3^{m_3} \dots$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} & K_*(x \otimes y) + K_*(y \otimes x) \\ &= \begin{cases} M_1^{n_1+m_1} M_{2,1}^{n_2+m_2-1} M_{1,1}^2, & n_1 m_2 + m_1 n_2 \text{ odd and } n_i = m_i = 0 \text{ for } i > 2, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, using the explicit expression (6.2.4) and the expression for the operator S_*^1 in (6.2.5) we can write

$$\begin{aligned} & m_* S_{\mathcal{F}_*}(x \otimes y) = \\ & \sum_{\substack{x_\ell = \zeta_1^{2n-1} \\ y_{\ell'} = \zeta_1^{2n'-1}}} \zeta_1^{2(n+n')-1} \otimes (x_r y_{r'})^{\leq 1} + (\zeta_1 \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \zeta_1) \sum_{\substack{x_r = \zeta_1^{2n-1} \\ y_{r'} = \zeta_1^{2n'-1}}} (x_\ell y_{\ell'})^{\leq 1} \otimes \zeta_1^{2(n+n'-1)}. \end{aligned}$$

From the expression (5.1.5) for the Milnor diagonal we thus see that for monomials $x = \zeta_1^{n_1} \zeta_2^{n_2} \zeta_3^{n_3} \dots$ and $y = \zeta_1^{m_1} \zeta_2^{m_2} \zeta_3^{m_3} \dots$ one has $S_{\mathcal{F}_*}(x \otimes y) = 0$ unless $n_i = m_i =$

0 for $i > 2$, whereas in the remaining cases one has

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_* S_{\mathcal{F}*}(\zeta_1^{n_1} \zeta_2^{n_2} \otimes \zeta_1^{m_1} \zeta_2^{m_2}) = & \sum_{\substack{0 \leq i \leq n_1 \\ 0 \leq j \leq m_1 \\ i, j \text{ odd}}} \binom{n_1}{i} \binom{m_1}{j} \zeta_1^{i+j+2(n_2+m_2)+1} \otimes \zeta_1^{n_1+m_1-i-j+n_2+m_2} \\
 + (\zeta_1 \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \zeta_1) & \sum_{\substack{0 \leq i \leq n_1 \\ 0 \leq j \leq m_1 \\ n_1-i+n_2, m_1-j+m_2 \text{ odd}}} \binom{n_1}{i} \binom{m_1}{j} \zeta_1^{i+j+2(n_2+m_2)} \otimes \zeta_1^{n_1+m_1-i-j+n_2+m_2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Let us now turn back to the symmetrization of K_* . We compute its image under the map m_* ; by (5.3.6) it sends M_1 to $\zeta_1 \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \zeta_1$, $M_{1,1}$ to $\zeta_1 \otimes \zeta_1$ and $M_{2,1}$ to $\zeta_1^2 \otimes \zeta_1$. Thus the nonzero values of this image are, for $n_1 m_2 + m_1 n_2$ odd,

$$m_* K_*(1+T)(\zeta_1^{n_1} \zeta_2^{n_2} \otimes \zeta_1^{m_1} \zeta_2^{m_2}) = (\zeta_1 \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \zeta_1)^{n_1+m_1} (\zeta_1^2 \otimes \zeta_1)^{n_2+m_2-1} (\zeta_1^2 \otimes \zeta_1^2).$$

Then expanding $(\zeta_1 \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \zeta_1)^{n_1+m_1} = (\zeta_1 \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \zeta_1)^{n_1} (\zeta_1 \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \zeta_1)^{m_1}$ via binomials we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_* K_*(1+T)(\zeta_1^{n_1} \zeta_2^{n_2} \otimes \zeta_1^{m_1} \zeta_2^{m_2}) & = \sum_{\substack{0 \leq i \leq n_1 \\ 0 \leq j \leq m_1}} \binom{n_1}{i} \binom{m_1}{j} \zeta_1^{i+j+2(n_2+m_2)} \otimes \zeta_1^{n_1+m_1-i-j+n_2+m_2+1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

It follows that nonzero values of the difference $m_*(S_{\mathcal{F}*} - K_*(1+T))$ on monomials in Milnor generators are equal to

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{\substack{0 \leq i \leq n_1 \\ 0 \leq j \leq m_1 \\ i, j \text{ odd}}} \binom{n_1}{i} \binom{m_1}{j} \zeta_1^{i+j+2(n_2+m_2)+1} \otimes \zeta_1^{n_1+m_1-i-j+n_2+m_2} \\
 + & \sum_{\substack{0 \leq i \leq n_1 \\ 0 \leq j \leq m_1 \\ n_1-i+n_2, m_1-j+m_2 \text{ odd}}} \binom{n_1}{i} \binom{m_1}{j} \zeta_1^{i+j+2(n_2+m_2)+1} \otimes \zeta_1^{n_1+m_1-i-j+n_2+m_2} \\
 + & \sum_{\substack{0 \leq i \leq n_1 \\ 0 \leq j \leq m_1 \\ n_1-i+n_2, m_1-j+m_2 \text{ even}}} \binom{n_1}{i} \binom{m_1}{j} \zeta_1^{i+j+2(n_2+m_2)} \otimes \zeta_1^{n_1+m_1-i-j+n_2+m_2+1}
 \end{aligned}$$

for $n_1 m_2 + m_1 n_2$ odd and $m_* S_{\mathcal{F}_*}(\zeta_1^{n_1} \zeta_2^{n_2} \otimes \zeta_1^{m_1} \zeta_2^{m_2})$ for $n_1 m_2 + m_1 n_2$ even.

The first expression can be rewritten as

$$(\zeta_1^2 \otimes \zeta_1)^{n_2+m_2} \sum_k \zeta_1^{k+1} \otimes \zeta_1^{n_1+m_1-k}$$

$$\left(\sum_{\substack{0 \leq i \leq n_1 \\ 0 \leq k-i \leq m_1 \\ i, k-i \text{ odd}}} \binom{n_1}{i} \binom{m_1}{k-i} + \sum_{\substack{0 \leq i \leq n_1 \\ 0 \leq k-i \leq m_1 \\ n_1-i+n_2, m_1-k+i+m_2 \text{ odd}}} \binom{n_1}{i} \binom{m_1}{k-i} \right)$$

$$+ \sum_{\substack{0 \leq i \leq n_1 \\ 0 \leq k+1-i \leq m_1 \\ n_1-i+n_2, m_1-k-1+i+m_2 \text{ even}}} \binom{n_1}{i} \binom{m_1}{k+1-i}$$

and in the second case we may write

$$m_* S_{\mathcal{F}_*}(\zeta_1^{n_1} \zeta_2^{n_2} \otimes \zeta_1^{m_1} \zeta_2^{m_2}) = (\zeta_1^2 \otimes \zeta_1)^{n_2+m_2} \sum_k \zeta_1^{k+1} \otimes \zeta_1^{n_1+m_1-k}$$

$$\left(\sum_{\substack{0 \leq i \leq n_1 \\ 0 \leq k-i \leq m_1 \\ i, k-i \text{ odd}}} \binom{n_1}{i} \binom{m_1}{k-i} + \sum_{\substack{0 \leq i \leq n_1 \\ 0 \leq k-i \leq m_1 \\ n_1-i+n_2, m_1-k+i+m_2 \text{ odd}}} \binom{n_1}{i} \binom{m_1}{k-i} \right)$$

$$+ \sum_{\substack{0 \leq i \leq n_1 \\ 0 \leq k+1-i \leq m_1 \\ n_1-i+n_2, m_1-k-1+i+m_2 \text{ odd}}} \binom{n_1}{i} \binom{m_1}{k+1-i}$$

One then shows that these expressions lie in the subalgebra of $\mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 1}$ generated by $\zeta_1^2 \otimes \zeta_1$ and $\zeta_1 \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \zeta_1$, without involvement of $\zeta_1 \otimes \zeta_1$. This means that the image of the difference $S_{\mathcal{F}_*} - K_*(1 + T)$ under the restriction map $\mathcal{F}_*^{\leq 2} \rightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}_*}^{\leq 2}$ is zero. □

8. Computation of the algebra of secondary cohomology operations and its dual

We first describe explicit splittings of the pair algebra $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ of relations in the Steenrod algebra and its dual $\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}$. Then we describe in terms of these splittings s

the multiplication maps A^s for the Hopf pair algebra $\mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{F}}$ of secondary cohomology operations and we describe the dual maps A_s determining the Hopf pair coalgebra $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{F}}$ dual to $\mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{F}}$. On the basis of the main result in [3] we describe systems of equations which can be solved inductively by a computer and which yield the multiplication maps A^s and A_s as a solution. It turns out that A_s is explicitly given by a formula in which only the values $A_s(\zeta_n)$, $n \geq 1$, have to be computed where ζ_n is the Milnor generator in the dual Steenrod algebra \mathcal{A}_* .

8.1. Computation of $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ and $\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}$

Let us fix a function $\chi : \mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}$ which splits the projection $\mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$, namely, take

$$\chi(k \bmod p) = k \bmod p^2, \quad 0 \leq k < p. \tag{8.1.1}$$

We will use χ to define splittings of $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}} = \left(\mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} \xrightarrow{\partial} \mathcal{R}_0^{\mathbb{F}} \right)$. Here a *splitting* s of $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ is an \mathbb{F} -linear map for which the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & & \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} \\
 & \nearrow s & \downarrow \partial \\
 R_{\mathcal{F}} & \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F}_0 & \equiv \mathcal{R}_0^{\mathbb{F}}
 \end{array} \tag{8.1.2}$$

commutes with $R_{\mathcal{F}} = \text{im}(\partial) = \ker(q_{\mathcal{F}} : \mathcal{F}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{A})$. We only consider the case $p = 2$.

Definition 8.1.3 (The right equivariant splitting of $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$) Using χ , all *Adem relations*

$$[a, b] := \text{Sq}^a \text{Sq}^b + \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{a}{2} \rfloor} \binom{b-k-1}{a-2k} \text{Sq}^{a+b-k} \text{Sq}^k$$

for $a, b > 0$, $a < 2b$, can be lifted to elements $[a, b]_{\chi} \in R_{\mathcal{B}}$ by applying χ to all coefficients, i. e. by interpreting $[a, b]$ as an element of \mathcal{B} . As shown in [3, 16.5.2], $R_{\mathcal{F}}$ is a free right \mathcal{F}_0 -module with a basis consisting of *preadmissible relations*. For $p = 2$ these are elements of the form

$$\text{Sq}^{a_1} \dots \text{Sq}^{a_{k-1}} [a_k, a] \in R_{\mathcal{F}}$$

satisfying $a_1 \geq 2a_2, \dots, a_{k-2} \geq 2a_{k-1}, a_{k-1} \geq 2a_k, a_k < 2a$. Sending such an element to

$$\text{Sq}^{a_1} \dots \text{Sq}^{a_{k-1}} [a_k, a]_{\chi} \in R_{\mathbb{B}}$$

determines then a unique right \mathcal{F}_0 -equivariant splitting ϕ in the pair algebra $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$; that is, we get a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R_{\mathcal{F}} & \xrightarrow{\phi} & R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathbb{F} = \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \partial \\ \mathcal{F}_0 & \xlongequal{\quad} & \mathcal{R}_0^{\mathbb{F}}. \end{array}$$

For a splitting s of $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ the map $s \otimes 1 \oplus 1 \otimes s$ induces the map $s_{\#}$ in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} & \xrightarrow{\Delta} & (\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}})_1 & \longleftarrow & \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} \otimes \mathcal{F}_0 \oplus \mathcal{F}_0 \otimes \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} \\ \uparrow s \downarrow \partial & & \uparrow s_{\#} \downarrow \partial_{\hat{\otimes}} & & \uparrow s \otimes 1 \oplus 1 \otimes s \\ R_{\mathcal{F}} & \xrightarrow{\Delta_R} & R_{\mathcal{F}}^{(2)} & \longleftarrow & R_{\mathcal{F}} \otimes \mathcal{F}_0 \oplus \mathcal{F}_0 \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{F}_0 & \xrightarrow{\Delta} & \mathcal{F}_0 \otimes \mathcal{F}_0. & & \end{array} \tag{8.1.4}$$

Then the difference $U = s_{\#} \Delta_R - \Delta s : R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow (\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}})_1$ satisfies $\partial_{\hat{\otimes}} U = 0$ since

$$\partial_{\hat{\otimes}} s_{\#} \Delta_R = \Delta_R = \Delta_R \partial s = \partial_{\hat{\otimes}} \Delta s.$$

Thus U lifts to $\ker \partial_{\hat{\otimes}} \cong \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$ and gives an \mathbb{F} -linear map

$$U^s : R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}. \tag{8.1.5}$$

If we use the splitting s to identify $\mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}}$ with the direct sum $\mathcal{A} \oplus R_{\mathcal{F}}$, then it is clear that knowledge of the map U^s determines the diagonal $\mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} \rightarrow (\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}})_1$ completely. Indeed $s_{\#}$ yields the identification $(\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}})_1 \cong \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \oplus R_{\mathcal{F}}^{(2)}$, and under these identifications $\Delta : \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} \rightarrow (\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}})_1$ corresponds to a map which by commutativity of (8.1.4) must have the form

$$\mathcal{A} \oplus R_{\mathcal{F}} \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} \Delta_{\mathcal{A}} & U^s \\ 0 & \Delta_R \end{pmatrix}} \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \oplus R_{\mathcal{F}}^{(2)} \tag{8.1.6}$$

and is thus determined by U^s .

One readily checks that the map U^s for $s = \phi$ in (8.1.3) coincides with the map U defined in [3, 16.4.3] in terms of the algebra \mathcal{B} .

Given the splitting s and the map U^s , the only piece of structure remaining to determine the \mathbf{Alg}_1^{pair} -comonoid structure of $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ completely is the \mathcal{F}_0 - \mathcal{F}_0 -bimodule

structure on $\mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} \cong \mathcal{A} \oplus R_{\mathcal{F}}$. Consider for $f \in \mathcal{F}_0, r \in R_{\mathcal{F}}$ the difference $s(fr) - fs(r)$. It belongs to the kernel of ∂ since

$$\partial s(fr) = fr = f \partial s(r) = \partial(fs(r)).$$

Thus we obtain the *left multiplication map*

$$a^s : \mathcal{F}_0 \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}. \tag{8.1.7}$$

Similarly we obtain the *right multiplication map*

$$b^s : R_{\mathcal{F}} \otimes \mathcal{F}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$$

by the difference $s(rf) - s(r)f$.

Lemma 8.1.8 *For $s = \phi$ in (8.1.3) the right multiplication map b^ϕ is trivial, that is ϕ is right equivariant, and the left multiplication map factors through $q_{\mathcal{F}} \otimes 1$ inducing the map*

$$a^\phi : \mathcal{A} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}.$$

Proof: Right equivariance holds by definition. As for the factorization, $R_{\mathcal{F}} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{F}_0 \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}}$ is in the kernel of $a^\phi : \mathcal{F}_0 \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$, since by right equivariance of s and by the pair algebra property (4.1.8) for $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ one has for any $r, r' \in R_{\mathcal{F}}$

$$s(rr') = s(r)r' = s(r)\partial s(r') = (\partial s(r))s(r') = rs(r').$$

Hence factoring the above map through $(\mathcal{F}_0 \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}})/(R_{\mathcal{F}} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}}) \cong \mathcal{A} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}}$ we obtain a map

$$\mathcal{A} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}.$$

□

Summarizing the above, we thus have proved

Proposition 8.1.9 *Using the splitting $s = \phi$ of $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ in (8.1.3) the comonoid $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ in the category \mathbf{Alg}_1^{pair} described in (4.5.4) is completely determined by the maps*

$$U^\phi : R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$$

and

$$a^\phi : \mathcal{A} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$$

given in (8.1.5) and (8.1.7) respectively.

□

We next introduce another splitting $s = \psi$ for which $U^s = 0$. For this we use the fact that $\mathcal{A}_* = \text{Hom}(\mathcal{A}, \mathbb{F})$ and

$$\mathcal{B}_\# = \text{Hom}(\mathcal{B}_0, \mathbb{G}) \tag{8.1.10}$$

with $\mathcal{B}_0 = T_{\mathbb{G}}(E_{\mathcal{A}})$ both are polynomial algebras in such a way that generators of \mathcal{A}_* are also (part of the) generators of $\mathcal{B}_\#$.

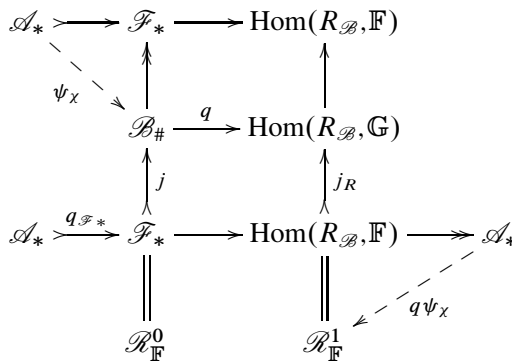
Using χ in (8.1.1) we obtain the function

$$\psi_\chi : \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_\# \tag{8.1.11}$$

(which is not \mathbb{F} -linear) as follows. Each element x in \mathcal{A}_* is uniquely an \mathbb{F} -linear combination $x = \sum_\alpha n_\alpha \alpha$ where α runs through the monomials in Milnor generators. Such a monomial can be also considered as an element in $\mathcal{B}_\#$ by (5.2.6) so that we can define

$$\psi_\chi(x) = \sum_\alpha \chi(n_\alpha) \alpha \in \mathcal{B}_\#.$$

Definition 8.1.12 (The comultiplicative splitting of $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$) Consider the following commutative diagram with exact rows and columns



with the columns induced by the short exact sequence $\mathbb{F} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{G} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{F}$ and the rows induced by (4.7.1). In particular q is induced by the inclusion $R_{\mathcal{B}} \subset \mathcal{B}_0$. Now it is clear that ψ_χ yields a map $q\psi_\chi$ which lifts to $\text{Hom}(R_{\mathcal{B}}, \mathbb{F})$ so that we get the map

$$q\psi_\chi : \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}^1$$

which splits the projection $\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}^1 \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{A}_*$. Moreover $q\psi_\chi$ is \mathbb{F} -linear since for all $x, y \in \mathcal{A}_*$ the elements $\psi_\chi(x) + \psi_\chi(y) - \psi_\chi(x + y) \in \mathcal{B}_\#$ are in the image of the inclusion $j q_{\mathcal{F}_*} : \mathcal{A}_* \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{B}_\#$ and thus go to zero under q .

The dual of $q\psi_\chi$ is thus a retraction $(q\psi_\chi)^*$ in the short exact sequence

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 R_{\mathcal{F}} & \xleftarrow{\pi} & R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathbb{F} & \xleftarrow{\iota} & \mathcal{A} \\
 & \searrow & \parallel & \nearrow & \\
 & (q\psi_\chi)^*_\perp & \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} & (q\psi_\chi)^* &
 \end{array}$$

which induces the splitting $\psi = (q\psi_\chi)^*_\perp$ of $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ determined by

$$\psi(\pi(x)) = x - \iota((q\psi_\chi)^*(x)).$$

Lemma 8.1.13 *For the splitting $s = \psi$ of $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ we have $U^\psi = 0$.*

Proof: We must show that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 R_{\mathcal{F}} & \xrightarrow{\Delta_R} & R_{\mathcal{F}}^{(2)} \\
 \psi \downarrow & & \downarrow \psi_\# \\
 R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathbb{F} & \xrightarrow{\Delta} & (\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}})_1.
 \end{array}$$

Obviously this is equivalent to commutativity of the dual diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}} \check{\otimes} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}})^1 & \xrightarrow{\Delta_*} & \text{Hom}(R_{\mathcal{B}}, \mathbb{F}) \\
 (\psi_\#)_* \downarrow & & \downarrow \psi_* \\
 R_{\mathcal{F}}^{(2)*} & \xrightarrow{\Delta_{R^*}} & R_{\mathcal{F}}^*
 \end{array}$$

which in turn is equivalent to commutativity of

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* & \xrightarrow{\delta_*} & \mathcal{A}_* \\
 (\psi_\#)_*^\perp \downarrow & & \downarrow q\psi_\chi \\
 (\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}} \check{\otimes} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}})^1 & \xrightarrow{\Delta_*} & \text{Hom}(R_{\mathcal{B}}, \mathbb{F}).
 \end{array} \tag{8.1.14}$$

On the other hand, the left hand vertical map in the latter diagram can be included into another commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{F}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \oplus \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{F}_* & \xleftarrow{\begin{pmatrix} i \otimes 1 \\ 1 \otimes i \end{pmatrix}} & \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \\
 1 \otimes q\psi_\chi \oplus q\psi_\chi \otimes 1 \downarrow & & \downarrow (\psi_\#)_*^\perp \\
 \mathcal{F}_* \otimes \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}^1 \oplus \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}}^1 \otimes \mathcal{F}_* & \xleftarrow{\quad} & (\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}} \otimes \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}})^1
 \end{array}$$

It follows that on elements, commutativity of (8.1.14) means that the equality

$$q\psi_\chi(xy) = i(x)q\psi_\chi(y) + q\psi_\chi(x)i(y)$$

holds for any $x, y \in \mathcal{A}_*$. By linearity, it is clearly enough to prove this when x and y are monomials in Milnor generators.

For this observe that for any $x \in \mathcal{A}_* = \text{Hom}(\mathcal{A}, \mathbb{F})$, the element $q\psi_\chi(x) \in \text{Hom}(R_{\mathcal{B}}, \mathbb{F})$ is the unique \mathbb{F} -linear map making the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} R_{\mathcal{B}} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{B}_0 & \twoheadrightarrow & \mathcal{A} \\ q\psi_\chi(x) \downarrow & & \psi_\chi(x) \downarrow & & \downarrow x \\ \mathbb{F} & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{G} & \twoheadrightarrow & \mathbb{F} \end{array}$$

commute. This uniqueness implies the equality we need in view of the following commutative diagram with exact columns:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} R_{\mathcal{B}} & \longrightarrow & R_{\mathcal{B}}^{(2)} & \dashrightarrow & \mathbb{F} \otimes \mathbb{F} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \mathbb{F} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{B}_0 & \xrightarrow{\Delta} & \mathcal{B}_0 \otimes \mathcal{B}_0 & \xrightarrow{\psi_\chi(x) \otimes \psi_\chi(y)} & \mathbb{G} \otimes \mathbb{G} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \mathbb{G} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\delta} & \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{x \otimes y} & \mathbb{F} \otimes \mathbb{F} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \mathbb{F} \\ & & \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{xy} & & & & \end{array}$$

since when x and y are monomials in Milnor generators, one has $\psi_\chi(xy) = \psi_\chi(x)\psi_\chi(y)$. □

Therefore we call ψ the comultiplicative splitting of $\mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{F}}$. We now want to compute the left and right multiplication maps a^ψ and b^ψ defined in (8.1.7). The dual maps $a_\psi = (a^\psi)_*$ and $b_\psi = (b^\psi)_*$ can be described by the diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & q\psi_\chi \\ & \swarrow & \searrow \\ (R_{\mathcal{B}})_* & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{A}_* \\ m_*^\ell \downarrow & & \downarrow m_* \\ \mathcal{F}_* \otimes (R_{\mathcal{F}})_* & \hookrightarrow & \mathcal{F}_* \otimes (R_{\mathcal{B}})_* \longrightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \\ & & \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{i \otimes q\psi_\chi} \end{array} \tag{8.1.15}$$

and

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \begin{array}{ccc}
 & \xleftarrow{q\psi_\chi} & \mathcal{A}_* \\
 & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \downarrow m_* \\
 (R_{\mathcal{B}})_* & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{A}_*
 \end{array} \\
 m_*^r \downarrow & & \\
 (R_{\mathcal{F}})_* \otimes \mathcal{F}_* & \hookrightarrow & (R_{\mathcal{B}})_* \otimes \mathcal{F}_* \xrightarrow{\quad} \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \\
 & & \xleftarrow{q\psi_\chi \otimes i}
 \end{array} \tag{8.1.16}$$

Here m_* is dual to the multiplication in \mathcal{A} and m_*^ℓ and m_*^r are induced by the \mathcal{F}_0 - \mathcal{F}_0 -bimodule structure of $R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathbb{F}$. One readily checks

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_\psi &= m_*^\ell q\psi_\chi - (i \otimes q\psi_\chi)m_* \\
 b_\psi &= m_*^r q\psi_\chi - (q\psi_\chi \otimes i)m_*.
 \end{aligned}$$

We now consider the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \mathcal{B}_\# \xleftarrow{\psi_\chi} \mathcal{A}_* & \\
 m_*^\mathbb{G} \downarrow & & \downarrow m_* \\
 \mathcal{F}_* \otimes \mathcal{F}_* & \hookrightarrow \mathcal{B}_\# \otimes \mathcal{B}_\# \xleftarrow{\psi_\chi^\otimes} \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* &
 \end{array}$$

Here ψ_χ^\otimes is defined similarly as ψ_χ in (8.1.11) by the formula

$$\psi_\chi^\otimes \left(\sum_{\alpha, \beta} n_{\alpha\beta} \alpha \otimes \beta \right) = \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \chi(n_{\alpha\beta}) \alpha \otimes \beta$$

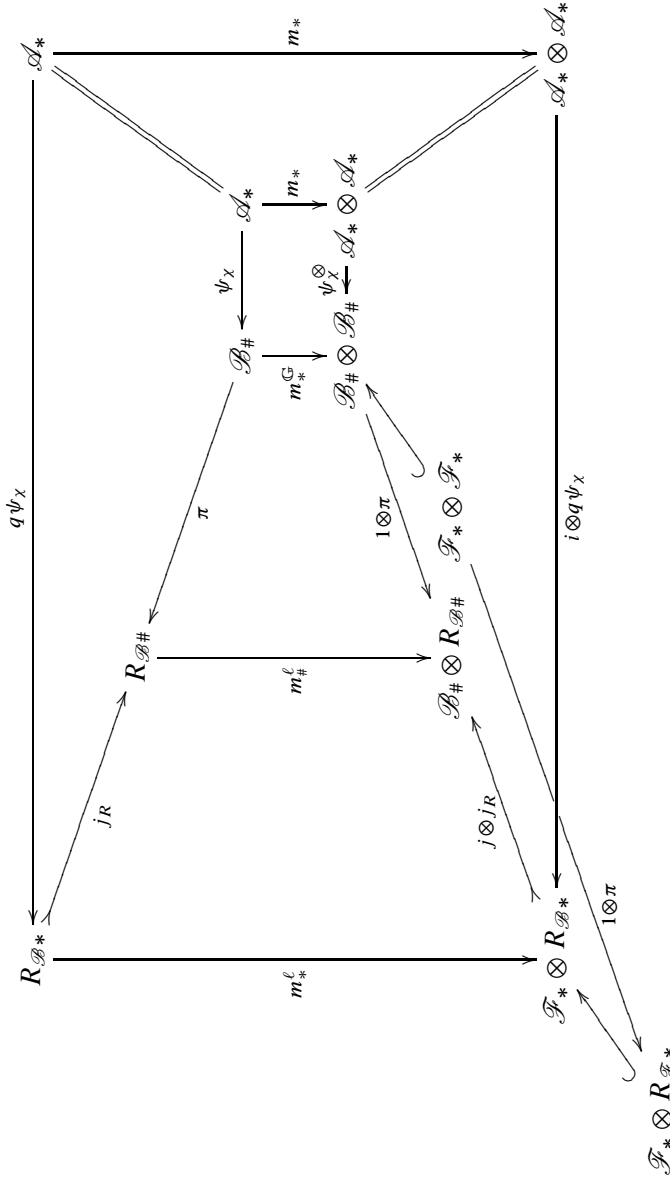
where α, β run through the monomials in Milnor generators. Moreover $m_*^\mathbb{G}$ is the dual of the multiplication map $m^\mathbb{G}$ of $\mathcal{B}_0 = T_{\mathbb{G}}(E_{\mathcal{A}})$.

Lemma 8.1.17 *The difference $m_*^\mathbb{G} \psi_\chi - \psi_\chi^\otimes m_*$ lifts to an \mathbb{F} -linear map $\nabla_\chi : \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_* \otimes \mathcal{F}_*$ such that one has*

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_\psi &= (1 \otimes \pi) \nabla_\chi \\
 b_\psi &= (\pi \otimes 1) \nabla_\chi.
 \end{aligned}$$

Here $\pi : \mathcal{F}_* \twoheadrightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}_*}$ is induced by the inclusion $R_{\mathcal{F}} \subset \mathcal{F}_0$.

Proof: We will only prove the first equality; the proof for the second one is similar.
The following diagram



commutes except for the innermost square, whose deviation from commutativity is ∇_x and lies in the image of $\mathcal{F}_* \otimes \mathcal{F}_* \hookrightarrow \mathcal{B}_\# \otimes \mathcal{B}_\#$, and the outermost square, whose deviation from commutativity is a_ψ and lies in the image of $\mathcal{F}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}_*} \hookrightarrow$

$\mathcal{F}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{B}_*}$. It follows that $(1 \otimes \pi)\nabla_\chi$ and a_ψ have the same image under $j \otimes j_R$, and since the latter map is injective we are done. \square

Let us describe the map ∇_χ more explicitly.

Lemma 8.1.18 *The map ∇_χ factors as follows*

$$\mathcal{A}_* \xrightarrow{\bar{\nabla}_\chi} \mathcal{F}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \xrightarrow{1 \otimes i} \mathcal{F}_* \otimes \mathcal{F}_*.$$

Proof: Let $\mathcal{A}_\# \subset \mathcal{B}_\#$ be the subring generated by the elements $M_1, M_{21}, M_{421}, M_{8421}, \dots$. It is then clear that the image of ψ_χ lies in $\mathcal{A}_\#$ and the reduction $\mathcal{B}_\# \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{F}_*$ carries $\mathcal{A}_\#$ to \mathcal{A}_* . Moreover obviously the image of $\psi^{\otimes m_*}$ lies in $\mathcal{A}_\#$, hence it only remains to show the inclusion

$$m_*^{\mathbb{G}}(\mathcal{A}_\#) \subset \mathcal{B}_\# \otimes \mathcal{A}_\#.$$

Since $m_*^{\mathbb{G}}$ is a ring homomorphism, it suffices to check this on the generators $M_1, M_{21}, M_{421}, M_{8421}, \dots$. But this is clear from (5.3.3). \square

Corollary 8.1.19 *For the comultiplicative splitting ψ one has*

$$a_\psi = 0.$$

Moreover the map b_ψ factors as follows

$$\mathcal{A}_* \xrightarrow{\bar{b}_\psi} R_{\mathcal{F}_*} \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \xrightarrow{1 \otimes i} R_{\mathcal{F}_*} \otimes \mathcal{F}_*.$$

Proof: The first statement follows as by definition $\pi(\mathcal{A}_*) = 0$; the second is obvious. \square

Using the splitting ψ we get the following analogue of (8.1.9).

Proposition 8.1.20 *The comonoid $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ in the category $\mathbf{Alg}_1^{\text{pair}}$ described in (4.5.4) is completely determined by the multiplication map*

$$\bar{b}^\psi : R_{\mathcal{F}} \otimes \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$$

dual to the map \bar{b}_ψ from 8.1.19. In fact, the identification

$$\mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} = \mathcal{A} \oplus R_{\mathcal{F}}$$

induced by the splitting $s = \psi$ identifies the diagonal of $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ with $\Delta_{\mathcal{A}} \oplus \Delta_R$ (see (8.1.5), (8.1.6)), and the bimodule structure of $\mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}}$ with

$$\begin{aligned} f(\alpha, r) &= (f\alpha, fr) \\ (\alpha, r)f &= (\alpha \bar{f} - \bar{b}^\psi(r, \bar{f}), rf) \end{aligned}$$

for $f \in \mathcal{F}_0, r \in R_{\mathcal{F}}, \alpha \in \mathcal{A}$.

8.2. Computation of the Hopf pair algebra $\mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{F}}$

The Hopf pair algebra $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{F}}$ in (4.6.15), given by the algebra of secondary cohomology operations, satisfies the following crucial condition which we deduce from [3, 16.1.5].

Theorem 8.2.1 *There exists a right \mathcal{F}_0 -equivariant splitting*

$$u : \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} = R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_1 \otimes \mathbb{F} = \mathcal{B}_1^{\mathbb{F}}$$

of the projection $\mathcal{B}_1^{\mathbb{F}} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}}$, see (4.6.4), such that the following holds. The diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathcal{A} \oplus_x \Sigma \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{B}_1^{\mathbb{F}} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{B}_0^{\mathbb{F}} & \twoheadrightarrow & \mathcal{A} \\ \uparrow \bar{u} & & \uparrow u & & \parallel & & \parallel \\ \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{R}_0^{\mathbb{F}} & \twoheadrightarrow & \mathcal{A} \end{array}$$

commutes, where \bar{u} is the inclusion. Moreover in the diagram of diagonals, see (4.6.5),

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{B}_1^{\mathbb{F}} & \xrightarrow{\Delta_{\mathcal{B}}} & (\mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{F}} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{F}})_1 \longleftarrow \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \\ \uparrow u & & \uparrow u \hat{\otimes} u \\ \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} & \xrightarrow{\Delta_R} & (\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}})_1 \end{array}$$

the difference $\Delta_{\mathcal{B}}u - (u \hat{\otimes} u)\Delta_R$ lifts to $\Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$ and satisfies

$$\xi \bar{\pi} = \Delta_{\mathcal{B}}u - (u \hat{\otimes} u)\Delta_R : \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} \xrightarrow{\bar{\pi}} \bar{R} \xrightarrow{\xi} \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$$

where ξ is dual to ξ_* in (7.1.8). Here $\bar{\pi}$ is the projection $\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{F}} \twoheadrightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}} \twoheadrightarrow \bar{R}$. The cocycle ξ is trivial if p is odd.

Definition 8.2.2 Using a splitting u of $\mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{F}}$ as in (8.2.1) we define a multiplication operator

$$A : \mathcal{A} \otimes R_{\mathcal{B}} \rightarrow \Sigma \mathcal{A}$$

by the equation

$$A(\bar{\alpha} \otimes x) = u(\alpha x) - \alpha u(x)$$

for $\alpha \in \mathcal{F}_0$, $x \in R_{\mathcal{B}}$. Thus $-A$ is a multiplication map as studied in [3, 16.3.1]. Fixing a splitting s of $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ as in (8.1.2) we define an s -multiplication operator A^s to be the composite

$$A^s : \mathcal{A} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \xrightarrow{1 \otimes s} \mathcal{A} \otimes R_{\mathcal{B}} \xrightarrow{A} \Sigma \mathcal{A} .$$

Such operators have the properties of the following s -multiplication maps.

Definition 8.2.3 Let s be a splitting of $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ as in (8.1.2) and let U^s, a^s, b^s be defined as in section 8.1. An s -multiplication map

$$A^s : \mathcal{A} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$$

is an \mathbb{F} -linear map of degree -1 satisfying the following conditions with $\alpha, \alpha', \beta, \beta' \in \mathcal{F}_0, x, y \in R_{\mathcal{F}}$

1. $A^s(\alpha, x\beta) = A^s(\alpha, x)\beta + \varkappa(\alpha)b^s(x, \beta)$
2. $A^s(\alpha\alpha', x) = A^s(\alpha, \alpha'x) + \varkappa(\alpha)a^s(\alpha', x) + (-1)^{\deg(\alpha)}\alpha A^s(\alpha', x)$
3. $\delta A^s(\alpha, x) = A^s_{\otimes}(\alpha \otimes \Delta x) + L(\alpha, x) + \nabla_{\xi}(\alpha, x) + \delta\alpha(\alpha)U^s(x)$.

Here $A^s_{\otimes} : \mathcal{A} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}}^{(2)} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$ is defined by the equalities

$$A^s_{\otimes}(\alpha \otimes x \otimes \beta') = \sum (-1)^{\deg(\alpha_r)\deg(x)} A^s(\alpha_{\ell}, x) \otimes \alpha_r \beta',$$

$$A^s_{\otimes}(\alpha \otimes \beta \otimes y) = \sum (-1)^{\deg(\alpha_r)\deg(\beta) + \deg(\alpha_{\ell}) + \deg(\beta)} \alpha_{\ell} \beta \otimes A^s(\alpha_r, y),$$

where as always

$$\delta(\alpha) = \sum \alpha_{\ell} \otimes \alpha_r \in \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}.$$

Two s -multiplication maps A^s and $A^{s'}$ are *equivalent* if there exists an \mathbb{F} -linear map

$$\gamma : R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$$

of degree -1 such that the equality

$$A^s(\alpha, x) - A^{s'}(\alpha, x) = \gamma(\alpha x) - (-1)^{\deg(\alpha)}\alpha\gamma(x)$$

holds for any $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}, x \in R_{\mathcal{F}}$ and moreover γ is right \mathcal{F}_0 -equivariant and the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\delta} & \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \\ \uparrow \gamma & & \uparrow \gamma_{\otimes} \\ R_{\mathcal{F}} & \xrightarrow{\Delta} & R_{\mathcal{F}}^{(2)} \end{array}$$

commutes, with γ_{\otimes} given by

$$\gamma_{\otimes}(x \otimes \beta) = \gamma(x) \otimes \beta,$$

$$\gamma_{\otimes}(\alpha \otimes y) = (-1)^{\deg(\alpha)}\alpha \otimes \gamma(y)$$

for $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{F}_0, x, y \in R_{\mathcal{F}}$.

Theorem 8.2.4 *There exists an s -multiplication map A^s and any two such s -multiplication maps are equivalent. Moreover each s -multiplication map is an s -multiplication operator as in (8.2.2) and vice versa.*

Proof: We apply [3, 16.3.3]. In fact, we obtain by A^s the multiplication operator

$$A : \mathcal{A} \otimes R_{\mathcal{B}} = \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \oplus \mathcal{A} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \Sigma \mathcal{A}$$

with

$$A(\alpha \otimes x) = A^s(\alpha \otimes \bar{x}) + \varkappa(\alpha)\xi \tag{8.2.5}$$

where $(\bar{x}, \xi) \in R_{\mathcal{F}} \oplus \mathcal{A} = R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathbb{F}$ corresponds to x , that is $s(\bar{x}) + \iota(\xi) = x$ for $\iota : \mathcal{A} \subset R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathbb{F}$. □

Remark 8.2.6 For the splitting $s = \phi$ of $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ in (8.1.3) the maps

$$A_{n,m} : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$$

are defined by $A_{n,m}(\alpha) = A^\phi(\alpha \otimes [n,m])$, with $[n,m]$ the Adem relations in $R_{\mathcal{F}}$. Using formulæ in (8.2.3) the maps $A_{n,m}$ determine the ϕ -multiplication map A^ϕ completely. The maps $A_{n,m}$ coincide with the corresponding maps $A_{n,m}$ in [3, 16.4.4]. In [3, 16.6] an algorithm for determination of $A_{n,m}$ is described, leading to a list of values of $A_{n,m}$ on the elements of the admissible basis of \mathcal{A} . The algorithm for the computation of $A_{n,m}$ can be deduced from theorem (8.2.4) above.

Remark 8.2.7 Triple Massey products $\langle \alpha, \beta, \gamma \rangle$ with $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathcal{A}$, $\alpha\beta = 0 = \beta\gamma$, as in (4.6.16) can be computed by A^s as follows. Let $\bar{\beta}\bar{\gamma} \in R_{\mathcal{B}}$ be given as in (4.6.16). Then $\bar{\beta}\bar{\gamma} \otimes 1 \in R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathbb{F}$ satisfies

$$\bar{\beta}\bar{\gamma} \otimes 1 = s(\bar{x}) + \iota(\xi)$$

with $\bar{x} \in R_{\mathcal{F}}$, $\xi \in \mathcal{A}$ and $\langle \alpha, \beta, \gamma \rangle$ satisfies

$$A^s(\alpha \otimes \bar{x}) + \varkappa(\alpha)\xi \in \langle \alpha, \beta, \gamma \rangle.$$

Compare [3, 16.3.4].

Now it is clear how to introduce via $a^s, b^s, U^s, \xi, \varkappa$, and A^s a Hopf pair algebra structure on

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{A} \oplus \Sigma \mathcal{A} \oplus R_{\mathcal{F}} & \xrightarrow{q} & \mathcal{A} \oplus R_{\mathcal{F}} \\ \parallel & & \parallel \\ \mathcal{B}_1^{\mathbb{F}} & & \mathcal{R}_1^{\mathbb{F}} \end{array} \tag{8.2.8}$$

which is isomorphic to $\mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{F}}$, compare (8.1.9).

In the next section we describe an algorithm for the computation of a ψ -multiplication map, where ψ is the comultiplicative splitting of $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ in (8.1.12). For this we compute the dual map A_ψ of A^ψ .

8.3. Computation of the Hopf pair coalgebra $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{F}}$

For the comultiplicative splitting $s = \psi$ of $\mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{F}}$ in (8.1.12) we introduce the following ψ -comultiplication maps which are dual to the ψ -multiplication maps in (8.2.3).

Definition 8.3.1 Let \bar{b}_{ψ} be given as in 8.1.19. A ψ -comultiplication map

$$A_{\psi} : \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*}$$

is an \mathbb{F} -linear map of degree +1 satisfying the following conditions.

1. The maps in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*} & \xleftarrow{A_{\psi}} & \mathcal{A}_* \\ \downarrow 1 \otimes m_*^r & & \downarrow m_* \\ \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*} \otimes \mathcal{F}_* & \xleftarrow{A_{\psi} \otimes i} & \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \end{array}$$

satisfy

$$(1 \otimes m_*^r)A_{\psi} = (A_{\psi} \otimes i)m_* + (\kappa_* \otimes \bar{b}_{\psi})m_*.$$

Here κ_* is computed in (5.1.7) and m_*^r is defined in (8.1.16).

2. The maps in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*} & \xleftarrow{A_{\psi}} & & & \mathcal{A}_* \\ \downarrow 1 \otimes m_*^{\ell} & & & & \downarrow A_{\psi} \\ \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{F}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*} & \xleftarrow{1 \otimes i \otimes 1} & \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*} & \xleftarrow{m_* \otimes 1} & \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*} \end{array}$$

satisfy

$$(1 \otimes m_*^{\ell})A_{\psi} = (1 \otimes i \otimes 1)(m_* \otimes 1)A_{\psi} - (\tau \otimes i \otimes 1)(1 \otimes A_{\psi})m_*.$$

Here m_*^{ℓ} is as in (8.1.15), and $\tau : \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_*$ is given by $\tau(\alpha) = (-1)^{\deg(\alpha)}\alpha$.

3. For $x, y \in \mathcal{A}_*$ the product xy in the algebra \mathcal{A}_* satisfies the formula

$$A_{\psi}(xy) = A_{\psi}(x)m_*(y) + (-1)^{\deg(x)}m_*(x)A_{\psi}(y) + L_*(x, y) + \nabla_{\xi_*}(x, y).$$

Here L_* and ∇_{ξ_*} are given in 6.1.13 and 7.1.11 respectively, with $L_* = \nabla_{\xi_*} = 0$ for p odd.

Two ψ -comultiplication maps A_ψ, A'_ψ are *equivalent* if there is a derivation

$$\gamma_* : \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow R_{\mathcal{F}*}$$

of degree +1 satisfying the equality

$$A_\psi - A'_\psi = m_*^\ell \gamma_* - (\tau \otimes \gamma_*) m_*.$$

As a dual statement to (8.2.4) we get

Theorem 8.3.2 *There exists a ψ -comultiplication map A_ψ and any two such ψ -comultiplication maps are equivalent. Moreover each ψ -comultiplication map A_ψ is the dual of a ψ -multiplication map A^ψ in (8.2.4) with $A_\psi = A^{\psi*}$.* □

Now dually to (8.2.8), it is clear how to introduce via $a_\psi, b_\psi, \xi_*, \varkappa_*$, and A_ψ a Hopf pair coalgebra structure on

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{A}_* \oplus \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \oplus R_{\mathcal{F}*} & \xleftarrow{i} & \mathcal{A}_* \oplus R_{\mathcal{F}*} \\ \parallel & & \parallel \\ \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{F}}^1 & & \mathcal{H}_{\mathbb{F}}^1 \end{array}$$

which is isomorphic to $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{F}}$, compare (8.1.20).

We now embark on the simplification and solution of the equations 8.3.1(1) and 8.3.1(2). To begin with, note that the equations 8.3.1(1) imply that the image of the composite map

$$\mathcal{A}_* \xrightarrow{A_\psi} \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*} \xrightarrow{1 \otimes m_*^r} \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*} \otimes \mathcal{F}_*$$

actually lies in

$$\mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*} \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \subset \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*} \otimes \mathcal{F}_*;$$

similarly 8.3.1(2) implies that the image of

$$\mathcal{A}_* \xrightarrow{A_\psi} \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*} \xrightarrow{1 \otimes m_*^\ell} \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{F}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*}$$

lies in

$$\mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*} \subset \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{F}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*}.$$

Lemma 8.3.3 *The following conditions on an element $x \in R_{\mathcal{F}*} = \text{Hom}(R_{\mathcal{F}}, \mathbb{F})$ are equivalent:*

- $m_*^\ell(x) \in \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*} \subset \mathcal{F}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*};$
- $m_*^r(x) \in R_{\mathcal{F}*} \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \subset R_{\mathcal{F}*} \otimes \mathcal{F}_*;$
- $x \in \bar{R}_* \subset R_{\mathcal{F}*}.$

Proof: Recall that $\bar{R} = R_{\mathcal{F}}/R_{\mathcal{F}}^2$, i. e. \bar{R}_* is the space of linear forms on $R_{\mathcal{F}}$ which vanish on $R_{\mathcal{F}}^2$. Then the first condition means that $x : R_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ has the property that the composite

$$\mathcal{F}_0 \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \xrightarrow{m^\ell} R_{\mathcal{F}} \xrightarrow{x} \mathbb{F}$$

vanishes on $R_{\mathcal{F}} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \subset \mathcal{F}_0 \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}}$; but the image of $R_{\mathcal{F}} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}}$ under m^ℓ is precisely $R_{\mathcal{F}}^2$. Similarly for the second condition. \square

We thus conclude that the image of A_ψ lies in $\mathcal{A}_* \otimes \bar{R}_*$.

Next note that the condition 8.3.1(3) implies

$$A_\psi(x^2) = L_*(x, x) + \nabla_{\xi_*}(x, x) \tag{8.3.4}$$

for any $x \in \mathcal{A}_*$. Moreover the latter formula also implies

Proposition 8.3.5 *For any $x \in \mathcal{A}_*$ one has*

$$A_\psi(x^4) = 0.$$

Proof: Since the squaring map is an algebra endomorphism, by 6.1.11 one has

$$L_*(x, y^2) = \sum \zeta_1 x_\ell y_{\ell'}^2 \otimes \tilde{L}_*(x_r, y_{r'}^2),$$

with

$$m_*(x) = \sum x_\ell \otimes x_r, \quad m_*(y) = \sum y_{\ell'} \otimes y_{r'}.$$

But \tilde{L}_* vanishes on squares since it is a biderivation, so L_* also vanishes on squares. Moreover by (7.1.11)

$$\nabla_{\xi_*}(x^2, y^2) = \sum \xi_*(x^2, y^2)_{\mathcal{A}} \otimes \xi_*(x^2, y^2)_R - \sum x_\ell^2 y_{\ell'}^2 \otimes \xi_*(x_r^2, y_{r'}^2);$$

this is zero since $\xi_*(x^2, y^2) = 0$ for any x and y by (7.1.16). \square

Taking the above into account, and identifying the image of $i : \mathcal{A}_* \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{F}_*$ with \mathcal{A}_* , 8.3.1(1) can be rewritten as follows:

$$(1 \otimes m_*^r)A_\psi(\zeta_n) = A_\psi(\zeta_n) \otimes 1 + (L_*(\zeta_{n-1}, \zeta_{n-1}) + \nabla_{\xi_*}(\zeta_{n-1}, \zeta_{n-1})) \otimes \zeta_1 + \sum_{i=0}^n \zeta_1 \zeta_{n-i}^{2^i} \otimes \bar{b}_\psi(\zeta_i),$$

or

$$(1 \otimes \tilde{m}_*^r)A_\psi(\zeta_n) = (L_*(\zeta_{n-1}, \zeta_{n-1}) + \nabla_{\xi_*}(\zeta_{n-1}, \zeta_{n-1})) \otimes \zeta_1 + \sum_{i=0}^n \zeta_1 \zeta_{n-i}^{2^i} \otimes \bar{b}_\psi(\zeta_i).$$

Still more explicitly one has

$$\begin{aligned} L_*(\zeta_k, \zeta_k) &= \sum_{0 \leq i, j \leq k} \zeta_1 \zeta_{k-i}^{2^i} \zeta_{k-j}^{2^j} \otimes \tilde{L}_*(\zeta_i, \zeta_j) \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq i \leq k} \zeta_1 \zeta_{k-i}^{2^i+1} \otimes \tilde{L}_*(\zeta_i, \zeta_i) + \sum_{0 \leq i < j \leq k} \zeta_1 \zeta_{k-i}^{2^i} \zeta_{k-j}^{2^j} \otimes \tilde{L}_*(\zeta_i, \zeta_j), \end{aligned}$$

where we have denoted

$$\tilde{L}_*^S(\zeta_i, \zeta_j) := \tilde{L}_*(\zeta_i, \zeta_j) + \tilde{L}_*(\zeta_j, \zeta_i);$$

similarly

$$\nabla_{\xi_*}(\zeta_k, \zeta_k) = \sum_{0 \leq i < j \leq k} \zeta_{k-i}^{2^i} \zeta_{k-j}^{2^j} \otimes S_*(\zeta_i, \zeta_j).$$

As for $b_\psi(\zeta_i)$, by 8.1.17 it can be calculated by the formula

$$\bar{b}_\psi(\zeta_i) = \sum_{0 < j < i} v_{i-j}^{2^j-1} \otimes \zeta_j, \tag{8.3.6}$$

where v_k are determined by the equalities

$$M_{2^k, 2^{k-1}, \dots, 2} - M_{2^{k-1}, 2^{k-2}, \dots, 1}^2 \equiv 2v_k \pmod{4}$$

in $\mathcal{B}_\#$. For example,

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 &= M_{11}, \\ v_2 &= M_{411} + M_{231} + M_{222} + M_{2121}, \\ v_3 &= M_{8411} + M_{8231} + M_{8222} + M_{82121} + M_{4631} + M_{4622} + M_{46121} \\ &\quad + M_{4442} + M_{42521} + M_{42431} + M_{42422} + M_{424121} + M_{421421}, \end{aligned}$$

etc.

Thus putting everything together we see

Lemma 8.3.7 *The equation 8.3.1(1) for the value on ζ_n is equivalent to*

$$(1 \otimes \tilde{m}_*)A_\psi(\zeta_n) = \sum_{0 < k < n} C_{2^{n-2^k+1}}^{(n)} \otimes \zeta_k$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} C_{2^{n-1}}^{(n)} &= \sum_{0 < i < n} \zeta_1 \zeta_{n-1-i}^{2^i+1} \otimes (\tilde{L}_*(\zeta_i, \zeta_i) + v_i) \\ &\quad + \sum_{0 < i < j < n} \zeta_1 \zeta_{n-1-i}^{2^i} \zeta_{n-1-j}^{2^j} \otimes \tilde{L}_*^S(\zeta_i, \zeta_j) + \sum_{0 < i < j < n} \zeta_{n-1-i}^{2^i} \zeta_{n-1-j}^{2^j} \otimes S_*(\zeta_i, \zeta_j) \end{aligned}$$

and, for $1 < k < n$,

$$C_{2^n-2^k+1}^{(n)} = \sum_{0 < i \leq n-k} \zeta_1 \zeta_{n-k-i}^{2^{k+i}} \otimes v_i^{2^{k-1}}.$$

□

For low values of n these equations look like

$$\begin{aligned} (1 \otimes \tilde{m}_*^r) A_\psi(\zeta_2) &= 0, \\ (1 \otimes \tilde{m}_*^r) A_\psi(\zeta_3) &= \zeta_1 \otimes (\pi(M_{222}) \otimes \zeta_1 + \pi(M_{22}) \otimes \zeta_2) \\ &\quad + \zeta_1^2 \otimes \pi(M_{32} + M_{23} + M_{212} + M_{122}) \otimes \zeta_1 + \zeta_1^3 \otimes \pi M_{22} \otimes \zeta_1, \\ (1 \otimes \tilde{m}_*^r) A_\psi(\zeta_4) &= \zeta_1 \otimes (\pi(M_{8222} + M_{722} + M_{4622} + M_{4442} + M_{42422}) \otimes \zeta_1 \\ &\quad + \pi(M_{822} + M_{462} + M_{444} + M_{4242}) \otimes \zeta_2 + \pi(M_{44}) \otimes \zeta_3) \\ &\quad + \zeta_1^4 \otimes \pi(M_{632} + M_{623} + M_{6212} + M_{6122} + M_{542} + M_{452} + M_{443} + M_{4412} \\ &\quad + M_{4142} + M_{3422} + M_{2522} + M_{2432} + M_{2423} + M_{24212} + M_{24122} \\ &\quad + M_{21422} + M_{1622} + M_{1442} + M_{12422}) \otimes \zeta_1 \\ &\quad + \zeta_1^5 \otimes \pi(M_{622} + M_{442} + M_{2422}) \otimes \zeta_1 \\ &\quad + \zeta_2^2 \otimes \pi(M_{522} + M_{432} + M_{423} + M_{4212} + M_{4122} + M_{1422}) \otimes \zeta_1 \\ &\quad + \zeta_1 \zeta_2^2 \otimes \pi(M_{422}) \otimes \zeta_1 + \zeta_1^9 \otimes (\pi(M_{222}) \otimes \zeta_1 + \pi(M_{22}) \otimes \zeta_2) \\ &\quad + \zeta_1^4 \zeta_2^2 \otimes \pi(M_{32} + M_{23} + M_{212} + M_{122}) \otimes \zeta_1 \\ &\quad + \zeta_1^5 \zeta_2^2 \otimes \pi(M_{22}) \otimes \zeta_1, \end{aligned}$$

etc. (Note that $A_\psi(\zeta_1) = 0$ by dimension considerations.)

As for the equations 8.3.1(2), they have form

$$\begin{aligned} (1 \otimes \tilde{m}_*^\ell) A_\psi(\zeta_n) &= (\tilde{m}_* \otimes 1) A_\psi(\zeta_n) + \zeta_1^{2^{n-1}} \otimes A_\psi(\zeta_{n-1}) + \zeta_2^{2^{n-2}} \otimes A_\psi(\zeta_{n-2}) + \dots \\ &\quad + \zeta_{n-2}^4 \otimes A_\psi(\zeta_2) + \zeta_{n-1}^2 \otimes A_\psi(\zeta_1). \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 8.3.8 *Suppose given a map A_ψ satisfying 8.3.1(3) and those instances of 8.3.1(1), 8.3.1(2) which involve starting value of \mathcal{A}_ψ on the Milnor generators $i(\zeta_1)$, $i(\zeta_2)$, ..., where $i : \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_*$ is the inclusion. Then \mathcal{A}_ψ satisfies these equations for all other values too.*

Now recall that, as already mentioned in 6.1, according to [3, 16.5] \bar{R} is a free right \mathcal{A} -module generated by the set $\text{PAR} \subset \bar{R}$ of preadmissible relations. More explicitly, the composite

$$R^{\text{pre}} \otimes \mathcal{A} \xrightarrow{\text{inclusion} \otimes 1} \bar{R} \otimes \mathcal{A} \xrightarrow{m^r} \bar{R}$$

is an isomorphism of right \mathcal{A} -modules, where R^{pre} is the \mathbb{F} -vector space spanned by the set PAR of preadmissible relations. Dually it follows that the composite

$$\Phi_*^r : \bar{R}_* \xrightarrow{m_*^r} \bar{R}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \xrightarrow{\varrho \otimes 1} R_{\text{pre}} \otimes \mathcal{A}_*$$

is an isomorphism of right \mathcal{A}_* -comodules. Here $\varrho : \bar{R}_* \rightarrow R_{\text{pre}}$ denotes the restriction homomorphism from the space \bar{R}_* of \mathbb{F} -linear forms on \bar{R} to the space R_{pre} of linear forms on its subspace $R^{\text{pre}} \subset \bar{R}$ spanned by PAR.

It thus follows that we will obtain equations equivalent to 8.3.1(1) if we compose both sides of these equations with the isomorphism $1 \otimes \Phi_*^r : \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \bar{R}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\text{pre}} \otimes \mathcal{A}_*$. Let us then denote

$$(1 \otimes \Phi_*^r)A_\psi(\zeta_n) = \sum_{\mu} \rho_{2^n - |\mu|}(\mu) \otimes \mu$$

with some unknown elements $\rho_j(\mu) \in (\mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\text{pre}})_j$, where μ runs through some basis of \mathcal{A}_* .

Now freedom of the right \mathcal{A}_* -comodule \bar{R}_* on R_{pre} means that the above isomorphism Φ_*^r fits in the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \bar{R}_* & \xrightarrow{\Phi_*^r} & R_{\text{pre}} \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \\ \downarrow m_*^r & & \downarrow 1 \otimes m_* \\ \bar{R}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* & \xrightarrow{\Phi_*^r \otimes 1} & R_{\text{pre}} \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_*. \end{array}$$

It follows that we have

$$(1 \otimes 1 \otimes m_*)(1 \otimes \Phi_*^r)A_\psi(\zeta_n) = (1 \otimes \Phi_*^r \otimes 1)(1 \otimes m_*^r)A_\psi(\zeta_n).$$

Then taking into account 8.3.7 this gives equations

$$\sum_{\mu} \rho_{2^n - |\mu|}(\mu) \otimes m_*(\mu) = \sum_{\mu} \rho_{2^n - |\mu|}(\mu) \otimes \mu \otimes 1 + \sum_{0 < k < n} (1 \otimes \Phi_*^r)(C_{2^n - 2^k + 1}^{(n)}) \otimes \zeta_k,$$

with the constants $C_n^{(j)}$ as in 8.3.7. This immediately determines the elements $\rho_j(\mu)$ for $|\mu| > 0$. Indeed, the above equation implies that $(1 \otimes \Phi_*^r)A_\psi(\zeta_n)$ actually lies in the subspace $\mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\text{pre}} \otimes \Pi \subset \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\text{pre}} \otimes \mathcal{A}_*$ where $\Pi \subset \mathcal{A}_*$ is the following subspace:

$$\Pi = \left\{ x \in \mathcal{A}_* \mid m_*(x) \in \bigoplus_{k \geq 0} \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathbb{F}\zeta_k \right\}.$$

It is easy to see that actually

$$\Pi = \bigoplus_{k \geq 0} \mathbb{F}\zeta_k,$$

so we can write

$$(1 \otimes \Phi_*^r)A_\psi(\zeta_n) = \sum_{k \geq 0} \rho_{2^n - 2^k + 1}(\zeta_k) \otimes \zeta_k$$

where we necessarily have

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{2^n-2^k+1}(\zeta_k) \otimes 1 + \rho_{2^n-2^{k+1}+1}(\zeta_{k+1}) \otimes \zeta_1^{2^k} + \rho_{2^n-2^{j+k}+1}(\zeta_{k+2}) \otimes \zeta_2^{2^k} + \dots \\ = (1 \otimes \Phi_r)(C_{2^n-2^k+1}^{(n)}). \end{aligned}$$

for all $k \geq 1$. By dimension considerations, $\rho_{2^n-2^k+1}(\zeta_k)$ can only be nonzero for $k < n$, so the number of unknowns in these equations strictly decreases as k grows. Thus moving “backwards” and using successive elimination we determine all $\rho_{2^n-2^k+1}(\zeta_k)$ for $k > 0$.

It is easy to compute values of the isomorphism $1 \otimes \Phi_*^r$ on all elements involved in the constants $C_j^{(n)}$. In particular, elements of the form $\Phi_*^r(v_j^{2^k})$ can be given by an explicit formula. One has

$$\Phi_*^r(v_k) = \sum_{0 \leq i < k} \left(\text{Sq}^{2^k} \text{Sq}^{2^{k-1}} \dots \text{Sq}^{2^{i+2}} [2^i, 2^i] \right)_* \otimes \zeta_i^{2^k}$$

and

$$\Phi_*^r(v_k^{2^j-1}) = \sum_{0 \leq i < k} \left(\text{Sq}^{2^{k+j-1}} \text{Sq}^{2^{k+j-2}} \dots \text{Sq}^{2^{i+j+1}} [2^{i+j-1}, 2^{i+j-1}] \right)_* \otimes \zeta_i^{2^j},$$

so our “upside-down” solving gives

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{2^n-1+1}(\zeta_{n-1}) &= \zeta_1 \otimes [2^{n-2}, 2^{n-2}]_*, \\ \rho_{2^n-2^{n-2}+1}(\zeta_{n-2}) &= \zeta_1^{1+2^{n-1}} \otimes [2^{n-3}, 2^{n-3}]_* + \zeta_1 \otimes \left(\text{Sq}^{2^{n-1}} [2^{n-3}, 2^{n-3}] \right)_*, \\ \rho_{2^n-2^{n-3}+1}(\zeta_{n-3}) &= \zeta_1 \zeta_2^{2^{n-2}} \otimes [2^{n-4}, 2^{n-4}]_* + \zeta_1^{1+2^{n-1}} \otimes \left(\text{Sq}^{2^{n-2}} [2^{n-4}, 2^{n-4}] \right)_* \\ &\quad + \zeta_1 \otimes \left(\text{Sq}^{2^{n-1}} \text{Sq}^{2^{n-2}} [2^{n-4}, 2^{n-4}] \right)_* \\ &\dots \\ \rho_{2^n-2^{n-k}+1}(\zeta_{n-k}) &= \sum_{1 \leq i \leq k} \zeta_1 \zeta_{k-i}^{2^{n-k+i}} \otimes \left(\text{Sq}^{2^{n-k+i-1}} \text{Sq}^{2^{n-k+i-2}} \dots \text{Sq}^{2^{n-k+1}} [2^{n-k-1}, 2^{n-k-1}] \right)_* \end{aligned}$$

for $k < n - 1$.

As for $\rho_{2^n-1}(\zeta_1)$, here we do not have a general formula, but nevertheless it is easy to compute this value explicitly. In this way we obtain, for example,

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_1(\zeta_1) &= 0, \\ \rho_3(\zeta_1) &= 0, \\ \rho_7(\zeta_1) &= \zeta_1^3 \otimes [2, 2]_* + \zeta_1^2 \otimes ([3, 2]_* + [2, 3]_*), \\ \rho_{15}(\zeta_1) &= \zeta_1^5 \zeta_2^2 \otimes [2, 2]_* + \zeta_1^4 \zeta_2^2 \otimes ([3, 2]_* + [2, 3]_*) + \zeta_1 \zeta_2^2 \otimes (\text{Sq}^4 [2, 2])_* \\ &\quad + \zeta_2^2 \otimes ((\text{Sq}^5 [2, 2])_* + (\text{Sq}^4 [2, 3])_*) + \zeta_1^5 \otimes (\text{Sq}^6 [2, 2])_* \\ &\quad + \zeta_1^4 \otimes ((\text{Sq}^7 [2, 2])_* + (\text{Sq}^6 [3, 2])_* + (\text{Sq}^6 [2, 3])_*), \\ \rho_{31}(\zeta_1) &= \zeta_1^4 \zeta_2^4 \zeta_3^2 \otimes [2, 2]_* + \zeta_2^4 \zeta_3^2 \otimes ([3, 2]_* + [2, 3]_*) + \zeta_1^9 \zeta_3^2 \otimes (\text{Sq}^4 [2, 2])_* \\ &\quad + \zeta_1^8 \zeta_3^2 \otimes ((\text{Sq}^5 [2, 2])_* + (\text{Sq}^4 [2, 3])_*) + \zeta_1^9 \zeta_2^4 \otimes (\text{Sq}^6 [2, 2])_* \\ &\quad + \zeta_1^8 \zeta_2^4 \otimes ((\text{Sq}^7 [2, 2])_* + (\text{Sq}^6 [3, 2])_* + (\text{Sq}^6 [2, 3])_*) + \zeta_1 \zeta_2^3 \otimes (\text{Sq}^8 \text{Sq}^4 [2, 2])_* \\ &\quad + \zeta_3^2 \otimes ((\text{Sq}^9 \text{Sq}^4 [2, 2])_* + (\text{Sq}^8 \text{Sq}^4 [2, 3])_*) + \zeta_1 \zeta_2^4 \otimes (\text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^4 [2, 2])_* \\ &\quad + \zeta_2^4 \otimes ((\text{Sq}^{11} \text{Sq}^4 [2, 2])_* + (\text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^5 [2, 2])_* + (\text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^4 [2, 3])_*) + \zeta_1^9 \otimes (\text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^6 [2, 2])_* \\ &\quad + \zeta_1^8 \otimes ((\text{Sq}^{13} \text{Sq}^6 [2, 2])_* + (\text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^6 [3, 2])_* + (\text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^6 [2, 3])_*), \end{aligned}$$

etc.

To summarize, let us state

Proposition 8.3.9 *The general solution of 8.3.1(1) for the value on ζ_n is given by the formula*

$$A_\psi(\zeta_n) = (1 \otimes \Phi'_*)^{-1} \sum_{k \geq 0} \rho_{2^n - 2^k + 1}(\zeta_k) \otimes \zeta_k,$$

where the elements $\rho_j(\zeta_k) \in (\mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\text{pre}})_j$ are the ones explicitly given above for $k > 0$ while $\rho_{2^n}(1) \in (\mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\text{pre}})_{2^n}$ is arbitrary.

□

Let us now treat the equations 8.3.1(2) in a similar way, now using the fact that \bar{R} is a free left \mathcal{A} -module on an explicit basis PAR' (see 6.1.2 again).

Then similarly to the above dualization it follows that the composite

$$\Phi_*^\ell : \bar{R}_* \xrightarrow{m_*^\ell} \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \bar{R}_* \xrightarrow{1 \otimes \varrho'} \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R'_{\text{pre}}$$

is an isomorphism of left \mathcal{A}_* -comodules, where $\varrho' : \bar{R}_* \rightarrow R'_{\text{pre}}$ denotes the restriction homomorphism from the space \bar{R}_* of \mathbb{F} -linear forms on \bar{R} to the space R'_{pre} of linear forms on the subspace $R^{\text{pre}'}$ of \bar{R} spanned by PAR' .

Thus similarly to the above the equations 8.3.1(2) are equivalent to ones obtained by composing them with the isomorphism $1 \otimes \Phi_*^\ell : \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \bar{R}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R'_{\text{pre}}$. Let us then denote

$$(1 \otimes \Phi_*^\ell)A_\psi(\zeta_n) = \sum_{\pi \in \text{PAR}'} \sigma_{2^n - |\pi|}(\pi) \otimes \pi_*$$

with some unknown elements $\sigma_j(\pi) \in (\mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_*)_j$, where π_* denotes the corresponding element of the dual basis, i. e. the unique linear form on R'_{pre} assigning 1 to π and 0 to all other elements of PAR' .

Now again as above, freedom of the left \mathcal{A}_* -comodule \bar{R}_* on R'_{pre} means that the above isomorphism Φ_*^ℓ fits in the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \bar{R}_* & \xrightarrow{\Phi_*^\ell} & \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R'_{\text{pre}} \\ \downarrow m_*^\ell & & \downarrow m_* \otimes 1 \\ \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \bar{R}_* & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes \Phi_*^\ell} & \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R'_{\text{pre}}. \end{array}$$

In particular one has

$$(1 \otimes 1 \otimes \Phi_*^\ell)(1 \otimes m_*^\ell)A_\psi(\zeta_n) = (1 \otimes m_* \otimes 1)(1 \otimes \Phi_*^\ell)A_\psi(\zeta_n).$$

Using this, we obtain that the equations 8.3.1(2) are equivalent to the following system of equations

$$(1 \otimes m_* - m_* \otimes 1)(\sigma_{2^n - |\pi|}(\pi)) = 1 \otimes \sigma_{2^n - |\pi|}(\pi) + \Sigma_{2^n - |\pi|}(\pi),$$

where we denote

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_{2^n - |\pi|}(\pi) &= \zeta_1^{2^{n-1}} \otimes \sigma_{2^{n-1} - |\pi|}(\pi) + \zeta_2^{2^{n-2}} \otimes \sigma_{2^{n-2} - |\pi|}(\pi) + \dots \\ &\quad + \zeta_{n-2}^4 \otimes \sigma_{4 - |\pi|}(\pi) + \zeta_{n-1}^2 \otimes \sigma_{2 - |\pi|}(\pi). \end{aligned}$$

We next use the following standard fact:

Proposition 8.3.10 *For any coalgebra C with the diagonal $m_* : C \rightarrow C \otimes C$ and counit $\varepsilon : C \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ there is a contractible cochain complex of the form*

$$C \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{d_1} \\ \xleftarrow{s_1} \end{array} C^{\otimes 2} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{d_2} \\ \xleftarrow{s_2} \end{array} C^{\otimes 3} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{d_3} \\ \xleftarrow{s_3} \end{array} C^{\otimes 4} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{d_4} \\ \xleftarrow{s_4} \end{array} \dots,$$

i. e. one has

$$s_n d_n + d_{n-1} s_{n-1} = 1_{C^{\otimes n}}$$

for all n . Here,

$$d_1 = m_*,$$

$$d_2 = 1 \otimes m_* - m_* \otimes 1,$$

$$d_3 = 1 \otimes 1 \otimes m_* - 1 \otimes m_* \otimes 1 + m_* \otimes 1 \otimes 1,$$

$$d_4 = 1 \otimes 1 \otimes 1 \otimes m_* - 1 \otimes 1 \otimes m_* \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes m_* \otimes 1 \otimes 1 - m_* \otimes 1 \otimes 1 \otimes 1,$$

etc., while s_n can be taken to be equal to either

$$s_n = \varepsilon \otimes 1_{C^{\otimes n}}$$

or

$$s_n = 1_{C^{\otimes n}} \otimes \varepsilon.$$

□

Now suppose given the elements $\sigma_{2^k-|\pi|}(\pi)$, $k < n$, satisfying the equations; we must then find $\sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi)$ with

$$d_2\sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi) = 1 \otimes \sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi) + \Sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi),$$

with $\Sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi)$ as above. Then since $d_3d_2 = 0$, it will follow

$$d_3(1 \otimes \sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi) + \Sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi)) = 0.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \otimes \sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi) + \Sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi) &= (s_3d_3 + d_2s_2)(1 \otimes \sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi) + \Sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi)) \\ &= d_2s_2(1 \otimes \sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi) + \Sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi)) \end{aligned}$$

Taking here s_n from the second equality of 8.3.10, we see that one has

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \otimes \sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi) &= \Sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi) + d_2(1 \otimes (1 \otimes \varepsilon)(\sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi)) + (1 \otimes 1 \otimes \varepsilon)(\Sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi))). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that we can reconstruct the terms $\sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi)$ from $(1 \otimes \varepsilon)\sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi)$, i. e. from their components that lie in $\mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathbb{F} \subset \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_*$.

Then denoting

$$\sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi) = x_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi) \otimes 1 + \sigma'_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi),$$

with

$$\sigma'_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi) \in \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_*,$$

the last equation gives

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \otimes x_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \sigma'_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi) &= \Sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi) + (m_* \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes m_*) \sum_{i \geq 0} \zeta_i^{2^{n-i}} \otimes x_{2^{n-i}-|\pi|}(\pi). \end{aligned}$$

By collecting terms of the form $1 \otimes \dots$ on both sides, we conclude that any solution for σ satisfies

$$\sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi) = m_*(x_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi)) + \sum_{i \geq 0} \zeta_i^{2^{n-i}} \otimes x_{2^{n-i}-|\pi|}(\pi).$$

Thus the equation 8.3.1(2) is equivalent to the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} (1 \otimes m_* + m_* \otimes 1) \sum_{i \geq 0} \zeta_i^{2^{n-i}} \otimes x_{2^{n-i}-|\pi|}(\pi) &= 1 \otimes m_*(x_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi)) + \sum_{i \geq 0} 1 \otimes \zeta_i^{2^{n-i}} \otimes x_{2^{n-i}-|\pi|}(\pi) + \Sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi) \end{aligned}$$

on the elements $x_j(\pi) \in \mathcal{A}_j$. Substituting here back the value of $\Sigma_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi)$ we obtain the equations

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i \geq 0} \zeta_i^{2^{n-i}} \otimes m_*(x_{2^{n-i}-|\pi|}(\pi)) + \sum_{i \geq 0} m_*(\zeta_i)^{2^{n-i}} \otimes x_{2^{n-i}-|\pi|}(\pi) \\ &= 1 \otimes m_*(x_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi)) + \sum_{i \geq 0} 1 \otimes \zeta_i^{2^{n-i}} \otimes x_{2^{n-i}-|\pi|}(\pi) \\ &+ \sum_{i > 0} \zeta_i^{2^{n-i}} \otimes m_*(x_{2^{n-i}-|\pi|}(\pi)) + \sum_{i' > 0, j \geq 0} \zeta_{i'}^{2^{n-i'}} \otimes \zeta_j^{2^{n-i'-j}} \otimes x_{2^{n-i'-j}-|\pi|}(\pi). \end{aligned}$$

These equations easily reduce to

$$m_*(\zeta_i)^{2^{n-i}} = 1 \otimes \zeta_i^{2^{n-i}} + \sum_{0 \leq j < i} \zeta_{i-j}^{2^{n-(i-j)}} \otimes \zeta_j^{2^{n-i}},$$

which is identically true. We thus conclude

Proposition 8.3.11 *The general solution $A_\psi(\zeta_n)$ of 8.3.1(2) is determined by*

$$\begin{aligned} & A_\psi(\zeta_n) \\ &= (1 \otimes \Phi_*^\ell)^{-1} \sum_{\pi \in \text{PAR}'} \left(x_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi) \otimes 1 + \tilde{m}_*(x_{2^n-|\pi|}(\pi)) + \sum_{i > 0} \zeta_i^{2^{n-i}} \otimes x_{2^{n-i}-|\pi|}(\pi) \right) \otimes \pi_*, \end{aligned}$$

where $x_j(\pi) \in \mathcal{A}_j$ are arbitrary homogeneous elements. □

Now to put together 8.3.9 and 8.3.11 we must use the dual

$$\Phi_* : R_{\text{pre}} \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R'_{\text{pre}}$$

of the composite isomorphism

$$\Phi : \mathcal{A} \otimes R^{\text{pre}'} \xrightarrow{\Phi^{\ell-1}} \bar{R} \xrightarrow{\Phi^r} R^{\text{pre}} \otimes \mathcal{A}.$$

We will need

Lemma 8.3.12 *There is an inclusion*

$$\Phi_*(R_{\text{pre}} \otimes \mathbb{F}1) \subset \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R'_{\text{pre}} \stackrel{\leq 2}{\subset},$$

where

$$R'_{\text{pre}} \stackrel{\leq 2}{\subset} R'_{\text{pre}}$$

is the subspace of those linear forms on $R^{\text{pre}'}$ which vanish on all left preadmissible elements $[n, m]a \in \text{PAR}'$ with $a \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}$.

Similarly, there is an inclusion

$$\Phi_*^{-1}(\mathbb{F}1 \otimes R'_{\text{pre}}) \subset R_{\text{pre}} \leq^2 \otimes \mathcal{A}_*$$

where

$$R_{\text{pre}} \leq^2 \subset R_{\text{pre}}$$

is the subspace of those linear forms on R^{pre} which vanish on all right preadmissible elements $a[n, m]$ with $a \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}$.

Proof: Dualizing, for the first inclusion what we have to prove is that given any admissible monomial $a \in \mathcal{A}$ and any $[n, m]b \in \text{PAR}'$ with $b \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}$, in \bar{R} one has the equality

$$a[n, m]b = \sum_i a_i[n_i, m_i]b_i$$

with $a_i[n_i, m_i] \in \text{PAR}$ and admissible monomials $b_i \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}$. Indeed, considering a as a monomial in \mathcal{F}_0 there is a unique way to write

$$a[n, m] = \sum_i a_i[n_i, m_i]c_i$$

in \mathcal{F}_0 , with $a_i[n_i, m_i] \in \text{PAR}$ and c_i some (not necessarily admissible or belonging to $\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_0$) monomials in the Sq^k generators of \mathcal{F}_0 . Thus in \mathcal{F}_0 we have

$$a[n, m]b = \sum_i a_i[n_i, m_i]c_i b.$$

In \bar{R} we may replace each $c_i b$ with a sum of admissible monomials of the same degree; obviously this degree is positive as $b \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}$.

The proof for the second inclusion is exactly similar. □

This lemma implies that for any simultaneous solution $A_\psi(\zeta_n)$ of 8.3.1(1) and 8.3.1(2), the elements in $\mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\text{pre}} \otimes \mathcal{A}_*$ and $\mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R'_{\text{pre}}$ corresponding to it according to, respectively, 8.3.9 and 8.3.11, satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{a \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}} \\ [k, l]a \in \text{PAR}'}} \left(x_{2^n - k - l - |a|}([k, l]a) \otimes 1 + \tilde{m}_*(x_{2^n - k - l - |a|}([k, l]a)) + \sum_{i > 0} \zeta_i^{2^n - i} \otimes x_{2^n - i - k - l - |a|}([k, l]a) \right) \otimes ([k, l]a)_* \\ &= (1 \otimes 1 \otimes \varrho^{\geq 2})(1 \otimes \Phi_*) \left(\sum_{k > 0} \rho_{2^n - 2^k + 1}(\zeta_k) \otimes \zeta_k \right), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\varrho^{>2} : R'_{\text{pre}} \twoheadrightarrow R'^{>2}_{\text{pre}}$$

is the restriction of linear forms on $R^{\text{pre}'}$ to the subspace spanned by the subset of PAR' consisting of the left preadmissible relations of the form $[k, l]a$ with $a \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}$. Indeed the remaining part of the element from 8.3.9 is

$$\rho_{2^n}(1) \otimes 1,$$

and according to the lemma its image under $1 \otimes \Phi_*$ goes to zero under the map $\varrho^{>2}$.

Since the elements $\rho_{2^n-2^k+1}(\zeta_k)$ are explicitly given for all $k > 0$, this allows us to explicitly determine all elements $x_j([k, l]a)$ for $[k, l]a \in \text{PAR}'$ with $a \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}$. For example, in low degrees we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} x_2([2, 3]\text{Sq}^1) &= x_2([3, 2]\text{Sq}^1) = \zeta_1^2, \\ x_3([2, 2]\text{Sq}^1) &= \zeta_1^3, \\ x_{10}([2, 3]\text{Sq}^1) &= x_{10}([3, 2]\text{Sq}^1) = \zeta_1^4 \zeta_2^2, \\ x_{11}([2, 2]\text{Sq}^1) &= \zeta_1^5 \zeta_2^2, \\ x_{26}([2, 3]\text{Sq}^1) &= x_{26}([3, 2]\text{Sq}^1) = \zeta_2^4 \zeta_3^2, \\ x_{27}([2, 2]\text{Sq}^1) &= \zeta_1 \zeta_2^4 \zeta_3^2, \end{aligned}$$

with all other $x_j([k, l]a) = 0$ for $j < 32$ and $[k, l]a \in \text{PAR}'$ with $a \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}$.

Remark 8.3.13 Calculations can be performed for larger j too. But in fact a pattern is clearly apparent here. It suggests the conjecture that actually all elements $x_j([k, l]a)$ for $[k, l]a \in \text{PAR}'$ with $a \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}$ can be chosen to be

$$\begin{aligned} x_{2^n-6}([2, 3]\text{Sq}^1) &= x_{2^n-6}([3, 2]\text{Sq}^1) = \zeta_{n-3}^4 \zeta_{n-2}^2, \\ x_{2^n-5}([2, 2]\text{Sq}^1) &= \zeta_1 \zeta_{n-3}^4 \zeta_{n-2}^2, \end{aligned}$$

for $n \geq 3$, with all other $x_j([k, l]a) = 0$.

It remains to deal with the elements $x_j([k, l])$. These shall satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k < 2l} \left(x_{2^n-k-l}([k, l]) \otimes 1 + \tilde{m}_*(x_{2^n-k-l}([k, l])) + \sum_{i > 0} \zeta_i^{2^{n-i}} \otimes x_{2^n-i-k-l}([k, l]) \right) \otimes [k, l]_* \\ = (1 \otimes \Phi_*)(\rho_{2^n}(1) \otimes 1) + (1 \otimes 1 \otimes \varrho^{\leq 2})(1 \otimes \Phi_*) \left(\sum_{k > 0} \rho_{2^n-2^k+1}(\zeta_k) \otimes \zeta_k \right), \end{aligned}$$

where now

$$\varrho^{\leq 2} : R'_{\text{pre}} \twoheadrightarrow R'_{\text{pre}}{}^{\leq 2}$$

is the restriction of linear forms on $R^{\text{pre}'}$ to the subspace spanned by the Adem relations. The last summand $D_n = (1 \otimes 1 \otimes \varrho^{\leq 2})(1 \otimes \Phi_*) \left(\sum_{k>0} \rho_{2^n-2^k+1}(\zeta_k) \otimes \zeta_k \right)$ is again explicitly given; for example, in low degrees it is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} D_1 &= 0, \\ D_2 &= 0, \\ D_3 &= (\zeta_1 \otimes \zeta_1)^2 \otimes [2, 2]_*, \\ D_4 &= (\zeta_1^2 \zeta_2 \otimes \zeta_1 + \zeta_2 \otimes \zeta_2 + \zeta_1^2 \otimes \zeta_1 \zeta_2)^2 \otimes [2, 2]_*, \\ D_5 &= (\zeta_2^2 \zeta_3 \otimes \zeta_1 + \zeta_1^4 \zeta_3 \otimes \zeta_2 + \zeta_1^4 \zeta_2^2 \otimes \zeta_1 \zeta_2 + \zeta_1^4 \otimes \zeta_2 \zeta_3 + \zeta_3 \otimes \zeta_3 + \zeta_2^2 \otimes \zeta_1 \zeta_3)^2 \otimes [2, 2]_*. \end{aligned}$$

Then finally the equations that remain to be solved can be equivalently written as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} (1 \otimes 1 \otimes \tilde{\varepsilon})(1 \otimes \Phi_*)^{-1} \left(\sum_{k < 2l} \left(x_{2^n-k-l}([k, l]) \otimes 1 + \tilde{m}_*(x_{2^n-k-l}([k, l])) + \sum_{i>0} \zeta_i^{2^{n-i}} \otimes x_{2^{n-i}-k-l}([k, l]) \right) \otimes [k, l]_* \right) \\ = (1 \otimes 1 \otimes \tilde{\varepsilon})(1 \otimes \Phi_*)^{-1}(D_n), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\tilde{\varepsilon} : \mathcal{A}_* \twoheadrightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_*$$

is the projection to the positive degree part, i. e. maps 1 to 0 and all homogeneous positive degree elements to themselves. Again, the right hand sides of these equations are explicitly given constants, for example, in low degrees they are given by

$$\begin{aligned} &0, & n = 1; \\ &0, & n = 2; \\ &\zeta_1^2 \otimes [2, 2]_* \otimes \zeta_1^2, & n = 3; \\ &(\zeta_1^4 \zeta_2^2 \otimes [2, 2]_* + \zeta_2^2 \otimes (\text{Sq}^4[2, 2])_* + \zeta_1^4 \otimes (\text{Sq}^6[2, 2])_*) \otimes \zeta_1^2, & n = 4; \\ &(\zeta_2^4 \zeta_3^2 \otimes [2, 2]_* + \zeta_1^8 \zeta_3^2 \otimes (\text{Sq}^4[2, 2])_* + \zeta_1^8 \zeta_2^4 \otimes (\text{Sq}^6[2, 2])_* + \zeta_3^2 \otimes (\text{Sq}^8 \text{Sq}^4[2, 2])_* \\ &\quad + \zeta_2^4 \otimes (\text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^4[2, 2])_* + \zeta_1^8 \otimes (\text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^6[2, 2])_*) \otimes \zeta_1^2, & n = 5. \end{aligned}$$

One possible set of solutions for ζ_k with $k \leq 5$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} x_5([1, 2]) &= \zeta_1^2 \zeta_2, \\ x_4([1, 3]) &= \zeta_1^4, \\ x_{13}([1, 2]) &= \zeta_2^2 \zeta_3, \\ x_{12}([1, 3]) &= \zeta_2^4, \\ x_{29}([1, 2]) &= \zeta_3^2 \zeta_4, \\ x_{28}([1, 3]) &= \zeta_3^4 \end{aligned}$$

and all remaining $x_j([k,l]) = 0$ for $j + k + l \leq 32$.

Or equivalently one might give the same solution “on the other side of Φ ” by

$$\begin{aligned}
 \rho_2(1) &= 0, \\
 \rho_4(1) &= 0, \\
 \rho_8(1) &= \zeta_1^2 \zeta_2 \otimes [1,2]_* + \zeta_1^4 \otimes [1,3]_* + \zeta_2 \otimes (\text{Sq}^2[1,2])_* + \zeta_1^2 \otimes (\text{Sq}^3[1,2])_*, \\
 \rho_{16}(1) &= \zeta_2^2 \zeta_3 \otimes [1,2]_* + \zeta_2^4 \otimes [1,3]_* + \zeta_1^4 \zeta_3 \otimes (\text{Sq}^2[1,2])_* + \zeta_1^4 \zeta_2^2 \otimes (\text{Sq}^3[1,2])_* \\
 &\quad + \zeta_3 \otimes (\text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2[1,2])_* + \zeta_2^2 \otimes (\text{Sq}^5 \text{Sq}^2[1,2])_* + \zeta_1^4 \otimes (\text{Sq}^6 \text{Sq}^3[1,2])_*, \\
 \rho_{32}(1) &= \zeta_3^2 \zeta_4 \otimes [1,2]_* + \zeta_3^4 \otimes [1,3]_* + \zeta_2^4 \zeta_4 \otimes (\text{Sq}^2[1,2])_* + \zeta_2^4 \zeta_3^2 \otimes (\text{Sq}^3[1,2])_* \\
 &\quad + \zeta_1^8 \zeta_4 \otimes (\text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2[1,2])_* + \zeta_1^8 \zeta_3^2 \otimes (\text{Sq}^5 \text{Sq}^2[1,2])_* + \zeta_1^8 \zeta_2^4 \otimes (\text{Sq}^6 \text{Sq}^3[1,2])_* \\
 &\quad + \zeta_4 \otimes (\text{Sq}^8 \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2[1,2])_* + \zeta_3^2 \otimes (\text{Sq}^9 \text{Sq}^4 \text{Sq}^2[1,2])_* + \zeta_2^4 \otimes (\text{Sq}^{10} \text{Sq}^5 \text{Sq}^2[1,2])_* \\
 &\quad + \zeta_1^8 \otimes (\text{Sq}^{12} \text{Sq}^6 \text{Sq}^3[1,2])_*.
 \end{aligned}$$

Remark 8.3.14 As in 8.3.13, here one also has a suggestive pattern which leads to a conjecture that a simultaneous solution of (1) and (2) is determined by putting

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_{2^n-3}([1,2]) &= \zeta_{n-2}^2 \zeta_{n-1}, \\
 x_{2^n-4}([1,3]) &= \zeta_{n-2}^4
 \end{aligned}$$

for $n \geq 3$, with all other $x_j([k,l]) = 0$.

This then gives the solution itself as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_\psi(\zeta_1) &= 0, \\
 A_\psi(\zeta_2) &= 0, \\
 A_\psi(\zeta_3) &= \zeta_1^2 \zeta_2 \otimes M_3 \\
 &\quad + \zeta_1^4 \otimes (M_{31} + \zeta_1 M_3) \\
 &\quad + \zeta_1^3 \otimes M_{221} \\
 &\quad + \zeta_2 \otimes (M_5 + M_{41} + M_{32} + \zeta_1^2 M_3) \\
 &\quad + \zeta_1^2 \otimes (M_{51} + M_{321} + M_{231} + M_{2121} + \zeta_1(M_5 + M_{41} + M_{32} + M_{221}) \\
 &\quad \quad + \zeta_1^2 M_{11}^2 + (\zeta_1^3 + \zeta_2) M_3) \\
 &\quad + \zeta_1 \otimes M_{2221}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
A_\psi(\zeta_4) = & \zeta_2^2 \zeta_3 \otimes M_3 \\
& + \zeta_2^4 \otimes (M_{31} + \zeta_1 M_3) \\
& + \zeta_1^5 \zeta_2^2 \otimes M_{221} \\
& + \zeta_1^4 \zeta_3 \otimes (M_5 + M_{41} + M_{32} + \zeta_1^2 M_3) \\
& + \zeta_1^4 \zeta_2^2 \otimes (M_{51} + M_{321} + M_{231} + M_{2121} + \zeta_1(M_5 + M_{41} + M_{32} + M_{221}) \\
& \quad + \zeta_1^2 M_{11}^2 + (\zeta_1^3 + \zeta_2)M_3) \\
& + \zeta_1^9 \otimes M_{2221} \\
& + \zeta_1^5 \zeta_2^2 \otimes M_{4221} \\
& + \zeta_3 \otimes (M_9 + M_{72} + M_{621} + M_{54} + M_{441} + M_{432} + M_{342} + M_{2421} + \zeta_1^4 M_5 + \zeta_2^2 M_3) \\
& + \zeta_2^2 \otimes (M_{721} + M_{451} + M_{4321} + M_{4231} + M_{42121} + M_{3421} \\
& \quad + (M_5 + M_{41} + M_{32} + M_{2111})^2 \\
& \quad + \zeta_1(M_9 + M_{72} + M_{621} + M_{54} + M_{441} + M_{432} + M_{4221} + M_{342} + M_{2421}) \\
& \quad + \zeta_1^4 M_3^2 + \zeta_1^5 M_5 + (\zeta_1 \zeta_2^2 + \zeta_3)M_3) \\
& + \zeta_1^5 \otimes (M_{6221} + M_{4421} + M_{24221}) \\
& + \zeta_1^4 \otimes (M_{831} + M_{8121} + M_{651} + M_{6321} + M_{6231} + M_{62121} + M_{4521} + M_{4431} \\
& \quad + M_{44121} + M_{41421} + M_{2721} + M_{2451} + M_{24321} + M_{24231} + M_{242121} + M_{23421} \\
& \quad + \zeta_1(M_{6221} + M_{4421} + M_{24221}) + \zeta_1^2(M_5 + M_{41} + M_{32} + M_{2111})^2 \\
& \quad + \zeta_2(M_9 + M_{72} + M_{621} + M_{54} + M_{441} + M_{432} + M_{342} + M_{2421}) \\
& \quad + \zeta_1^4 M_{211}^2 + \zeta_1^6 M_3^2 + \zeta_3(M_5 + M_{41} + M_{32}) \\
& \quad + \zeta_1^4 \zeta_2 M_5 + (\zeta_1^2 \zeta_3 + \zeta_2^3)M_3) \\
& + \zeta_1 \otimes (M_{82221} + M_{44421} + M_{46221} + M_{424221}),
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
A_\psi(\zeta_5) = & \zeta_3^2 \zeta_4 \otimes M_3 \\
& + \zeta_3^4 \otimes (M_{31} + \zeta_1 M_3) \\
& + \zeta_1^5 \zeta_3^2 \zeta_2^2 \otimes M_{221} \\
& + \zeta_2^4 \zeta_4 \otimes (M_5 + M_{41} + M_{32} + \zeta_1^2 M_3) \\
& + \zeta_2^4 \zeta_3 \otimes (M_{51} + M_{321} + M_{231} + M_{2121} + \zeta_1(M_5 + M_{41} + M_{32} + M_{221}) + \zeta_1^2 M_{11}^2 \\
& \quad + (\zeta_1^3 + \zeta_2)M_3) \\
& + \zeta_1^5 \zeta_2^8 \otimes M_{2221} \\
& + \zeta_1^9 \zeta_3^2 \otimes M_{4221} \\
& + \zeta_1^8 \zeta_4 \otimes (M_9 + M_{72} + M_{621} + M_{54} + M_{441} + M_{432} + M_{342} + M_{2421} + \zeta_1^4 M_5 + \zeta_2^2 M_3) \\
& + \zeta_1^8 \zeta_3 \otimes (M_{721} + M_{451} + M_{4321} + M_{4231} + M_{42121} + M_{3421} \\
& \quad + (M_5 + M_{41} + M_{32} + M_{2111})^2 \\
& \quad + \zeta_1(M_9 + M_{72} + M_{621} + M_{54} + M_{441} + M_{432} + M_{4221} + M_{342} + M_{2421}) \\
& \quad + \zeta_1^4 M_3^2 + \zeta_1^5 M_5 + (\zeta_1 \zeta_2^2 + \zeta_3)M_3) \\
& + \zeta_1^9 \zeta_4 \otimes (M_{6221} + M_{4421} + M_{24221}) \\
& + \zeta_1^8 \zeta_2^4 \otimes (M_{831} + M_{8121} + M_{651} + M_{6321} + M_{6231} + M_{62121} + M_{4521} + M_{4431} + M_{44121} \\
& \quad + M_{41421} + M_{2721} + M_{2451} + M_{24321} + M_{24231} + M_{242121} + M_{23421} \\
& \quad + \zeta_1(M_{6221} + M_{4421} + M_{24221}) + \zeta_1^2(M_5 + M_{41} + M_{32} + M_{2111})^2 \\
& \quad + \zeta_2(M_9 + M_{72} + M_{621} + M_{54} + M_{441} + M_{432} + M_{342} + M_{2421}) + \zeta_1^4 M_{211}^2 + \zeta_1^6 M_3^2 \\
& \quad + \zeta_1^4 \zeta_2 M_5 + \zeta_3(M_5 + M_{41} + M_{32}) + (\zeta_1^2 \zeta_3 + \zeta_2^3)M_3) \\
& + \zeta_1^{17} \otimes (M_{82221} + M_{44421} + M_{46221} + M_{424221}) \\
& + \zeta_4 \otimes (M_{17} + M_{134} + M_{1142} + M_{10421} + M_{98} + M_{872} + M_{8621} + M_{854} + M_{8441} \\
& \quad + M_{8432} + M_{8342} + M_{82421} + M_{584} + M_{3842} + M_{28421} + \zeta_1^8 M_9 + \zeta_2^4 M_5 + \zeta_3^2 M_3) \\
& + \zeta_1^5 \zeta_2^2 \otimes M_{84221}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& +\zeta_3^2 \otimes (M_{11421} + M_{8721} + M_{8451} + M_{84321} + M_{84231} + M_{842121} + M_{83421} + M_{38421} \\
& + (M_9 + M_{72} + M_{621} + M_{54} + M_{441} + M_{432} + M_{42111} + M_{342} + M_{2421})^2 \\
& + \zeta_1 (M_{17} + M_{134} + M_{1142} + M_{10421} + M_{98} \\
& + M_{872} + M_{8621} + M_{854} + M_{8441} + M_{8432} + M_{84221} + M_{8342} + M_{82421} \\
& + M_{584} + M_{3842} + M_{28421}) \\
& + \zeta_1^8 M_5^2 + \zeta_1^9 M_9 + \zeta_2^4 M_3^2 + \zeta_1 \zeta_2^4 M_5 + (\zeta_1 \zeta_3^2 + \zeta_4) M_3) \\
+ \zeta_1 \zeta_2^4 & \otimes (M_{104221} + M_{86221} + M_{84421} + M_{824221} + M_{284221}) \\
+ \zeta_2^4 & \otimes (M_{12521} + M_{12431} + M_{124121} + M_{121421} + M_{10721} + M_{10451} + M_{104321} + M_{104231} \\
& + M_{1042121} + M_{103421} + M_{8831} + M_{88121} + M_{8651} + M_{86321} + M_{86231} + M_{862121} \\
& + M_{84521} + M_{84431} + M_{844121} + M_{841421} + M_{82451} + M_{82721} + M_{823421} + M_{824321} \\
& + M_{824231} + M_{8242121} + M_{49421} + M_{48521} + M_{48431} + M_{484121} + M_{481421} + M_{418421} \\
& + M_{211421} + M_{28721} + M_{28451} + M_{284321} + M_{284231} + M_{2842121} + M_{283421} + M_{238421} \\
& + \zeta_1 (M_{104221} + M_{86221} + M_{84421} + M_{824221} + M_{284221}) \\
& + \zeta_1^2 (M_9 + M_{72} + M_{621} + M_{54} + M_{441} + M_{432} + M_{42111} + M_{342} + M_{2421})^2 \\
& + \zeta_2 (M_{17} + M_{134} + M_{1142} + M_{10421} + M_{98} + M_{872} + M_{8621} + M_{854} + M_{8441} \\
& + M_{8432} + M_{8342} + M_{82421} + M_{584} + M_{3842} + M_{28421}) \\
& + \zeta_1^4 M_{4211}^2 + \zeta_1^{10} M_5^2 + \zeta_1^8 \zeta_2 M_9 + \zeta_1^2 \zeta_2^4 M_3^2 + \zeta_2^5 M_5 + \zeta_4 (M_5 + M_{41} + M_{32}) \\
& + (\zeta_1^2 \zeta_4 + \zeta_2 \zeta_3^2) M_3) \\
+ \zeta_1^9 & \otimes (M_{126221} + M_{124421} + M_{1224221} + M_{4104221} + M_{88421} \\
& + M_{486221} + M_{484421} + M_{4824221} + M_{4284221}) \\
+ \zeta_1^8 & \otimes (M_{14631} + M_{146121} + M_{142521} + M_{142431} + M_{1424121} + M_{1421421} + M_{12831} + M_{128121} \\
& + M_{12651} + M_{126321} + M_{126231} + M_{1262121} + M_{124521} + M_{124431} + M_{1244121} + M_{1241421} \\
& + M_{122721} + M_{122451} + M_{1224321} + M_{1224231} + M_{12242121} + M_{1223421} \\
& + M_{86631} + M_{866121} + M_{862521} + M_{862431} + M_{8624121} + M_{8621421} \\
& + M_{844521} + M_{844431} + M_{8444121} + M_{8441421} + M_{842631} + M_{8426121} + M_{8423421} + M_{84212421} \\
& + M_{610521} + M_{610431} + M_{6104121} + M_{6101421} + M_{68631} + M_{686121} + M_{682521} + M_{682431} \\
& + M_{6824121} + M_{6821421} + M_{629421} + M_{628521} + M_{628431} + M_{6284121} + M_{6281421} + M_{6218421} \\
& + M_{412521} + M_{412431} + M_{4124121} + M_{4121421} + M_{410721} + M_{410451} + M_{4104321} + M_{4104231} \\
& + M_{41042121} + M_{4103421} + M_{48831} + M_{488121} + M_{48651} + M_{486321} + M_{486231} + M_{4862121} \\
& + M_{484521} + M_{484431} + M_{4844121} + M_{4841421} + M_{482721} + M_{482451} + M_{4824321} + M_{4824231} \\
& + M_{48242121} + M_{4823421} + M_{449421} + M_{448521} + M_{448431} + M_{4484121} + M_{4481421} + M_{4418421} \\
& + M_{4211421} + M_{428721} + M_{428451} + M_{4284321} + M_{4284231} + M_{42842121} + M_{4283421} + M_{4238421} \\
& + (M_{831} + M_{8121} + M_{7311} + M_{7221} + M_{71211} + M_{651} + M_{6411} + M_{6321} + M_{63111} \\
& + M_{62211} + M_{612111} + M_{43311} + M_{43221} + M_{431211} + M_{422211} + M_{421311} + M_{421221} \\
& + M_{41421} + M_{35211} + M_{34311} + M_{34221} + M_{341211} + M_{314211} \\
& + M_{2721} + M_{26211} + M_{252111} + M_{2451} + M_{24411} + M_{24321} + M_{243111} + M_{242211} \\
& + M_{2412111} + M_{23421} + M_{224211} + M_{2142111})^2 \\
& + (M_{51} + M_{411} + M_{321})^4 + M_3^8 \\
& + \zeta_1 (M_{126221} + M_{124421} + M_{1224221} + M_{88421} + M_{4104221} + M_{486221} + M_{484421} \\
& + M_{4824221} + M_{4284221})
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & +\zeta_1^4(M_5 + M_{41} + M_{32})^4 \\
 & +\zeta_2^2(M_9 + M_{72} + M_{621} + M_{54} + M_{441} + M_{432} + M_{342} + M_{2421})^2 \\
 & +\zeta_3(M_{17} + M_{134} + M_{1142} + M_{10421} + M_{98} + M_{872} + M_{8621} + M_{854} + M_{8441} + M_{8432} \\
 & \quad + M_{8342} + M_{82421} + M_{584} + M_{3842} + M_{28421}) \\
 & +\zeta_1^8 \zeta_2^2 M_5^2 + \zeta_3^2(M_5 + M_{41} + M_{32})^2 + \zeta_1^8 \zeta_3 M_9 \\
 & +\zeta_4(M_9 + M_{72} + M_{621} + M_{54} + M_{441} + M_{432} + M_{342}) \\
 & +(\zeta_1^{12} + \zeta_2^4)M_3^4 + (\zeta_1^4 \zeta_3^2 + \zeta_2^6)M_3^2 + (\zeta_1^4 \zeta_4 + \zeta_2^4 \zeta_3)M_5 + (\zeta_2^2 \zeta_4 + \zeta_3^3)M_3) \\
 +\zeta_1 \otimes & (M_{1682221} + M_{1646221} + M_{1644421} + M_{16424221} \\
 & + M_{8124421} + M_{8126221} + M_{81224221} + M_{888421} + M_{84104221} + M_{8486221} + M_{8484421} \\
 & + M_{84824221} + M_{84284221})
 \end{aligned}$$

The formulæ above were obtained via computer calculations. They lead to the general patterns in 8.3.13 and 8.3.14 which would determine the map A_ψ completely.

9. The dual $d_{(2)}$ differential

In this chapter we will compute the $d_{(2)}$ differential in the E^2 term

$$E_2^{p,q} = \text{Cotor}_{\mathcal{A}_*}^p(\mathbb{F}, \mathbb{F})^q \cong \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}_*}^p(\mathbb{F}, \mathbb{F})^q$$

of the Adams spectral sequence. For this we will first set up algebraic formalism necessary to carry out an analog of the computations in Chapter 3 in the dual setting. First let us recall how the above isomorphism is obtained.

9.1. Secondary coresolution

One starts with a projective resolution of the \mathcal{A} -module \mathbb{F} , e. g. with the minimal resolution as in (3.2.1). Its graded \mathbb{F} -linear dual

$$\mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_*^{\{g_0^0\}} \rightarrow \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} \mathcal{A}_*^{\{g_1^{2n}\}} \rightarrow \bigoplus_{|i-j| \neq 1} \mathcal{A}_*^{\{g_2^{2i+2j}\}} \rightarrow \dots \tag{9.1.1}$$

is then an injective resolution of \mathbb{F} in the category of right \mathcal{A}_* -comodules. (This is not entirely trivial since we take *graded* duals. However all (co)modules that we encounter will be degreewise finite, i. e. having generating sets with finite number of elements in each degree. Obviously then graded duality is a contravariant equivalence between the categories of such (co)modules.)

There are isomorphisms

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}_*}(M, N) \cong M_* \square_{\mathcal{A}_*} N$$

for any left \mathcal{A} -modules M and N of the above kind (i. e. of graded finite type), where on the right the graded dual M_* is considered as a right \mathcal{A}_* -comodule and N as a left \mathcal{A}_* -comodule in the standard way. It follows that applying $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(-, \mathbb{F})$ to (3.2.1) and applying $-\square_{\mathcal{A}_*} \mathbb{F}$ to (9.1.1) gives isomorphic cochain complexes (of \mathbb{F} -vector spaces). But by definition cohomology of the latter complex is given by

$$H^P((9.1.1)\square_{\mathcal{A}_*} \mathbb{F})^q = \text{Cotor}_{\mathcal{A}_*}^P(\mathbb{F}, \mathbb{F})^q.$$

It then follows from (3.2.13) that in these terms the secondary differential

$$d_{(2)}^{pq} : \text{Cotor}_{\mathcal{A}_*}^p(\mathbb{F}, \mathbb{F})^q \rightarrow \text{Cotor}_{\mathcal{A}_*}^{p+2}(\mathbb{F}, \mathbb{F})^{q+1}$$

is given by

$$d_{(2)}^{pq}(\hat{g}_p^q) = \sum_{g_p^q \text{ appears in } \delta(g_{p+2}^{q+1})} \hat{g}_{p+2}^{q+1} = \delta_*(\hat{g}_p^q)^0. \tag{9.1.2}$$

Here,

$$\delta_* : \bigoplus_q \Sigma \mathcal{A}_*^{\{g_p^q\}} \rightarrow \bigoplus_q \mathcal{A}_*^{\{g_{p+2}^q\}}$$

is the dual of the map

$$\delta : \mathcal{A}\langle g_{p+2}^* \rangle \rightarrow \Sigma \mathcal{A}\langle g_p^* \rangle$$

determined in 3.2.7, whereas \hat{g}_*^q denotes the dual basis of g_*^q , i. e. $\hat{g}_*^q \in \mathcal{A}_*^{\{g_*^q\}}$ is the vector with the g_p^q -th coordinate equal to 1 and all other coordinates equal to zero. Moreover by $\delta_*(\hat{g}_p^q)^0$ is denoted the zero degree component of $\delta_*(\hat{g}_p^q)$, i. e. the result of applying to the element

$$\delta_*(\hat{g}_p^q) \in \bigoplus_{j \geq 0} \mathcal{A}_j^{\{g_{p+2}^{q+j+1}\}}$$

the projection to the ($j = 0$)-th component

$$\bigoplus_{j \geq 0} \mathcal{A}_j^{\{g_{p+2}^{q+j+1}\}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_0^{\{g_{p+2}^{q+1}\}}.$$

Instead of directly dualizing the map δ , it is more convenient from the computational point of view to dualize the conditions of 3.2.7 using (3.2.12) and determine δ_* directly from these dualized conditions. In fact using 8.2.5 we can

further detalize the diagram (3.2.12) in the following way:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes V_{p+1} & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes d} & \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \otimes V_p \\
 & \delta_{p+1}^{\mathcal{A}} \nearrow & & \searrow \alpha \otimes 1 \otimes 1 & \\
 V_{p+3} & & \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \otimes V_p & & \mathcal{A} \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}} \otimes V_p \xrightarrow{1 \otimes A^s} \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes V_p \\
 & d \searrow & \uparrow 1 \otimes \varphi^{\mathcal{A},s} & \nearrow 1 \otimes \varphi^{R,s} & \\
 & & \mathcal{A} \otimes V_{p+2} & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes \delta_p^{\mathcal{A}}} & \mathcal{A} \otimes \Sigma \mathcal{A} \otimes V_p
 \end{array} \tag{9.1.3}$$

where A^s is the multiplication map corresponding to a splitting s of the \mathbb{G} -relation pair algebra used, as in 8.1, to identify $R_{\mathcal{B}}$ with $\mathcal{A} \oplus R_{\mathcal{F}}$, and $(\varphi^{\mathcal{A},s}, \varphi^{R,s})$ are the components of the corresponding composite map

$$V_{p+2} \xrightarrow{\varphi} R_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes V_p = \mathcal{A} \otimes V_p \oplus R_{\mathcal{F}} \otimes V_p,$$

with φ as defined in (3.2.10).

Moreover just as the map δ is completely determined by its restriction to V_{p+2} , its dual δ_* is determined by the composite δ_0 as in

$$\text{Hom}(V_p, \Sigma \mathcal{A}_*) \xrightarrow{\delta_*} \text{Hom}(V_{p+2}, \mathcal{A}_*) \xrightarrow{\text{Hom}(V_{p+2}, \varepsilon)} \text{Hom}(V_{p+2}, \mathbb{F}),$$

where graded Hom is meant, and ε is the augmentation of \mathcal{A}_* . In fact we only need this composite map δ_0 as by (9.1.2) above we have

$$d_{(2)}^{pq}(\hat{g}_p^q) = \delta_0(\hat{g}_p^q). \tag{9.1.4}$$

Now the dual to diagram (9.1.3) is easy to identify; it is

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \hat{V}_{p+1} & \xleftarrow{1 \otimes d_*} & \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \hat{V}_p \\
 & \delta_0 \nwarrow & & \swarrow \zeta_1 \otimes 1 \otimes 1 & \\
 \hat{V}_{p+3} & & \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \hat{V}_p & & \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*} \otimes \hat{V}_p \xleftarrow{A_s \otimes 1} \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \hat{V}_p \\
 & d_* \nwarrow & \downarrow 1 \otimes \varphi_*^{\mathcal{A},s} & \swarrow 1 \otimes \varphi_*^{R,s} & \\
 & & \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \hat{V}_{p+2} & \xleftarrow{1 \otimes \delta_0} & \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \hat{V}_p
 \end{array} \tag{9.1.5}$$

where \hat{V}_p are the graded dual spaces of V_p .

It is straightforward to reformulate the above in terms of elements: the values of the map δ_0 on arbitrary elements $a \otimes g \in \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \hat{V}_p$ must satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_0\left(\sum a_\ell \otimes d_*(a_r \otimes g)\right) &= d_*\left(\sum a_\ell \otimes \delta_0(a_r \otimes g)\right) \\ &+ d_*\left(\sum \zeta_1 a_\ell \otimes \varphi_*^{\mathcal{A},s}(a_r \otimes g)\right) \\ &+ d_*\left(\sum a_{\mathcal{A}} \otimes \varphi_*^{R,s}(a_R \otimes g)\right), \end{aligned} \tag{9.1.6}$$

where we have denoted by

$$\Delta(a) = \sum a_\ell \otimes a_r$$

the value of the diagonal $\Delta : \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \mathcal{A}_*$ and by

$$A_s(a) = \sum a_{\mathcal{A}} \otimes a_R$$

the value of the comultiplication map $A_s : \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_* \otimes R_{\mathcal{F}*}$ on $a \in \mathcal{A}_*$.

We thus obtain

Proposition 9.1.7 *The $d_{(2)}$ differential of the Adams spectral sequence is given on the cohomology classes represented by the generators \hat{g} in the minimal resolution by the formula*

$$d_{(2)}(\hat{g}) = \delta_0(\Sigma 1 \otimes \hat{g}),$$

where

$$\delta_0 : \Sigma \mathcal{A}_* \otimes \hat{V}_s \rightarrow \hat{V}_{s+2}$$

are any maps satisfying the equations (9.1.6). □

At this point the cooperation of the authors ended since the time of Jibladze’s visit at the MPIM was over. Therefore our goal of doing computer calculations on the basis of 9.1.7 is left to an interested reader.

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