COHOMOLOGY OF ASSOCIATIVE H-PSEUDOALGEBRAS

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Abstract. We define cohomology of associative $H$-pseudoalgebras, and we show that it describes module extensions, abelian pseudoalgebra extensions, and pseudoalgebra first order deformations. We describe in details the same results for the special case of associative conformal algebras.

1. Introduction

Since the pioneering papers [5] and [6], there has been a great deal of work towards understanding of the algebraic structure underlying the notion of the operator product expansion (OPE) of chiral fields of a conformal field theory. The singular part of the OPE encodes the commutation relations of fields, which leads to the notion of a Lie conformal algebra introduced by V. Kac [14]. In the past few years a structure theory [10], representation theory [8, 9] and cohomology theory [4] of finite Lie conformal algebras has been developed.

In [1], Bakalov, D’Andrea and Kac develop a theory of “multi-dimensional” Lie conformal algebras, called Lie $H$-pseudoalgebras, where $H$ is a Hopf algebra. They also solve classification problems and develop the cohomology theory. In [2, 3], they continue with the representation theory, classifying the irreducible modules over finite simple Lie $H$-pseudoalgebras.

In the present work, we study associative $H$-pseudoalgebras and the particular case of associative conformal algebras, that is, when $H = \mathbb{C}[\partial]$. The associative $H$-pseudoalgebras has not been studied to the extent it needs. Important results for associative conformal algebras has been obtained by P. Kolesnikov (see [15]), where an analog of the Wedderburn theorem for associative conformal algebras was proved. In [12], I. A. Dolguntseva define the cohomology groups of associative $H$-pseudoalgebras, and prove an analog of Hochschild’s theorem for such algebras, establishing a relationship between extensions of the algebras and the second cohomology group. The explicit computations of the second cohomology group for the main examples of associative conformal algebras, $Cend_n$ and $Cur_n$ are present in [13]. In [16], the classification of irreducible subalgebras of the associative conformal algebra $Cend_n$ is presented. In [17, 18], they describe all semisimple algebras of conformal endomorphisms which have the trivial second Hochschild cohomology group with coefficients in every conformal bimodule. As a consequence, they state a complete solution of the radical splitting problem in the class of associative conformal algebras with a finite faithful representation. In [17], we describe the finite irreducible modules over $Cend_{n,p}$ (a family of infinite subalgebras of $Cend_n$). We also classify certain extensions of irreducible modules over $Cend_{n,p}$. We also obtained all the automorphism of $Cend_{n,p}$.

As we pointed out, the cohomology of associative $H$-pseudoalgebras was defined in [12], but they use it only to describe the extensions of algebras using the second cohomology group. In
the present work, we develop in full details the zero, first and second cohomologies of associative
$H$-pseudoalgebras.

The zero cohomology deserve special attention. The zero differential map $d_0$ is not explicitly
written in any paper, and the general formula for the differentials maps given in [12] does not
apply. So, this is the first time where the zero cohomology group is described. The image of
$d_0$ is what we call the set of inner derivations, and we prove that they are derivations, that is,
we present a proof that the composition of differentials $d_1 \circ d_0$ is zero. This is one of the new
results of this work.

For an associative $H$-pseudoalgebra $A$, and for any pair of left $A$-modules $M$ and $N$, we provide
a new structure of $A$-bimodule on $\text{Chom}(M,N)$, where $\text{Chom}(M,N)$ is the conformal analog of
the Hom functor for associative algebras (see [1]). Then, one of our main results is Theorem 4.4,
where we obtained that the extensions of modules, of $M$ by $N$, is in one-to-one correspondence
with elements of the first cohomology group of $A$ with coefficient in $\text{Chom}(M,N)$.

Finally, we present another main result, given by the classification of first order deformations
of an associative $H$-pseudoalgebra in terms of the second cohomology group, see Theorem 5.4.

At the end of this work we apply these results to the particular example of associative con-
formal algebras. In this case, the $n$-cochains are defined using only $n-1$ variables, instead of
the $n$-variables used in the Lie conformal algebra case in [4]. Our situation is similar to the
corrected version presented in [11].

In section 2, we present the basic definitions and notations. In section 3, we define the
Hochschild cohomology for an associative $H$-pseudoalgebra $A$ over an $A$-bimodule. Then, we
study in more details the zero, first and second cohomologies. In section 4, we describe the
extensions of modules over an associative $H$-pseudoalgebra. In section 5, we describe the abelian
extensions and the first order deformations in terms of the corresponding second cohomology
group. In section 6, we apply these results to the particular example of associative conformal
algebras.

Unless otherwise specified, all vector spaces, linear maps and tensor products are considered
over a field $F$ of characteristic 0.

2. Definitions and notation

Let $H$ be a Hopf algebra with comultiplication $\Delta$ and counit $\varepsilon$. A more conceptual approach
to the theory of associative conformal algebras, their identities, modules, cohomology, etc., is
provided by the notion of an $H$-pseudoalgebra introduced in [1]. Indeed, in ordinary algebra, all
basic definitions may be stated in terms of linear spaces, polylinear maps, and their compositions.
For $H$-pseudoalgebras, the base field is replaced with the Hopf algebra $H$, the class of linear
spaces is replaced with the class $\mathcal{M}(H)$ of left $H$-modules and the role of $n$-linear maps is played
by $H^{\otimes n}$-linear maps of the form

$$\varphi : V_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes V_n \rightarrow H^{\otimes n} \otimes H V, \quad V_i, V \in \mathcal{M}(H),$$

where $H^{\otimes n} = H \otimes \ldots \otimes H$ and we define the right action of $H$ on $H^{\otimes n}$ by setting

$$(h_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes h_n) \cdot h = (h_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes h_n) \Delta^{(n-1)}(h),$$

where

$$\Delta^{(n-1)} := (\Delta \otimes \text{id} \otimes \ldots \otimes \text{id}) \ldots (\Delta \otimes \text{id}) \Delta : H \rightarrow H^{\otimes n}$$

is the iterated comultiplication for $n > 1$, and $\Delta^{(0)} := \text{id}$. The map $\varphi$ is called $H^{\otimes n}$-linear if

$$\varphi(h_1 a_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes h_n a_n) = (h_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes h_n) \otimes_H 1 \varphi(a_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes a_n)$$

for $h_i \in H$ and $a_i \in V_i$. 
Let $V_1, V_2$ and $V_3$ be left $H$-modules on which some $H^{\otimes 2}$-linear operation $\ast : V_1 \otimes V_2 \to H^{\otimes 2} \otimes_H V_3$ is defined. Note that $\ast$ naturally extends to

$$\ast : (H^{\otimes n} \otimes_H V_1) \otimes (H^{\otimes m} \otimes_H V_2) \to H^{\otimes (n+m)} \otimes_H V_3$$

by taking

$$(h_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes h_n) \ast ((g_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes g_m) \otimes v_2) = (h_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes h_n \otimes g_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes g_m) \otimes_H 1) \left( (\Delta^{(n-1)} \otimes \Delta^{(m-1)}) \otimes_H \text{id} \right) (v_1 \ast v_2). \quad (2.1)$$

This formula reflects the composition rule of polylinear maps in $\mathcal{M}(H)$ (see [1] for details).

An $H$-pseudoalgebra is a left $H$-module $A$ together with an $H^{\otimes 2}$-linear map

$$\ast : A \otimes A \to H^{\otimes 2} \otimes_H A$$

$$a \otimes b \mapsto a \ast b$$

called the pseudoproduct (similar to the definition of an ordinary algebra as a linear space equipped with a bilinear product map).

In order to define associativity of a pseudoproduct, we extend it from $A \otimes A \to H^{\otimes 2} \otimes_H A$ to $(H^{\otimes 2} \otimes_H A) \otimes A \to H^{\otimes 3} \otimes_H A$, and to $A \otimes (H^{\otimes 2} \otimes_H A) \to H^{\otimes 3} \otimes_H A$, by using the composition rules in (2.1) with $A = V_1 = V_2 = V_3$:

$$(f \otimes_H a) \ast b = \sum_i (f \otimes 1) (\Delta \otimes \text{id}) (g_i) \otimes_H c_i$$

$$a \ast (f \otimes_H b) = \sum_i (1 \otimes f) (\text{id} \otimes \Delta) (g_i) \otimes_H c_i$$

where $a \ast b = \sum_i g_i \otimes_H c_i$.

An $H$-pseudoalgebra is called associative if it satisfies the usual equality (in $H^{\otimes 3} \otimes_H A$):

$$(a \ast b) \ast c = a \ast (b \ast c). \quad (2.2)$$

In more details, each term of (2.2) is explicitly given by the following formulas: if

$$a \ast b = \sum_i (f_i \otimes g_i) \otimes_H e_i,$$

and

$$e_i \ast c = \sum_j (f_{ij} \otimes g_{ij}) \otimes_H e_{ij},$$

then

$$(a \ast b) \ast c = \sum_{i,j} (f_{ij} f_{ij(1)} \otimes g_{ij} g_{ij} \otimes_H e_{ij}) \in H^{\otimes 3} \otimes_H A.$$ 

Similarly, if we write

$$b \ast c = \sum_i (h_i \otimes l_i) \otimes_H d_i,$$

and

$$a \ast d_i = \sum_j (h_{ij} \otimes l_{ij}) \otimes_H d_{ij},$$

then

$$a \ast (b \ast c) = \sum_{i,j} (h_{ij} h_i l_{ij(1)} \otimes l_i l_{ij(2)} \otimes_H d_{ij}) \in H^{\otimes 3} \otimes_H A.$$ 

**Definition 2.1.** Let $A$ be an associative $H$-pseudoalgebra.

(a) A left $A$-module is a left $H$-module $M$ together with an $H^{\otimes 2}$-linear map $\ast^M : A \otimes M \to H^{\otimes 2} \otimes_H M$ such that
for all $a, b \in A$, and $u \in M$.

(b) A right $A$-module is a left $H$-module $M$ together with an $H^{\otimes 2}$-linear map $\overset{M}{\ast} : M \otimes A \to H^{\otimes 2} \otimes_H M$ such that

$$(a * b) \overset{M}{\ast} u = a \overset{M}{\ast} (b \overset{M}{\ast} u)$$

for all $a, b \in A$, and $u \in M$.

(c) A bimodule over $A$ is a left and right $A$-module $M$ satisfying

$$(a * u) \overset{M}{\ast} b = a \overset{M}{\ast} (u \overset{M}{\ast} b).$$

If $H = \mathbb{C}$, then all these definitions correspond to the usual associative algebras and their modules.

### 3. Hochschild cohomology for associative $H$-pseudoalgebras

Let us describe the Hochschild cohomology for an associative $H$-pseudoalgebra $A$ and a bimodule $M$ over $A$ (see [12]). The space of $n$-cochains $C^n(A, M)$ consists of all $H^{\otimes n}$-linear maps

$$\varphi : A^{\otimes n} \to H^{\otimes n} \otimes_H M.$$  \hfill (3.1)

The differential $d_n : C^n(A, M) \to C^{n+1}(A, M)$ is defined similarly to the ordinary one, assuming the compositions of polylinear maps in $\mathcal{M}(H)$:

$$(d_n \varphi)(a_1, \ldots, a_{n+1}) = a_1 \ast \varphi(a_2, \ldots, a_{n+1}) \quad \hfill (3.2)$$

\[ + \sum_{i=1}^{n} (-1)^i \varphi(a_1, \ldots, a_i \ast a_{i+1}, \ldots, a_{n+1}) + (-1)^{n+1} \varphi(a_1, \ldots, a_n) \ast a_{n+1}. \]

In the first and the last summand in (3.2), we use the following conventions that correspond to the composition defined in (2.1). If $a \ast u = \sum_i f_i \otimes_H u_i \in H^{\otimes 2} \otimes_H M$, for $a \in A, u \in M$, then for any $f \in H^{\otimes n}$, we set

$$a \ast (f \otimes_H u) = \sum_i (1 \otimes f)(\text{id} \otimes \Delta^{(n-1)})(f_i) \otimes_H u_i \in H^{\otimes (n+1)} \otimes_H M.$$  \hfill (3.3)

Similarly, if $u \ast a = \sum_i g_i \otimes_H u_i \in H^{\otimes 2} \otimes_H M$, for $a \in A, u \in M$, then for any $g \in H^{\otimes n}$, we set

$$(g \otimes_H u) \ast a = \sum_i (g \otimes 1)(\Delta^{(n-1)} \otimes \text{id})(g_i) \otimes_H u_i \in H^{\otimes (n+1)} \otimes_H M.$$  \hfill (3.4)

Finally, it remains to describe the composition used in the second summand in (3.2). For $g \in H^{\otimes 2}$ and $\varphi \in C^n(A, M)$, we set

$$\varphi(b_1, \ldots, b_{i-1}, g \otimes_H b_i, b_{i+1}, \ldots, b_n) =$$

$$= \left[ (1^{\otimes (i-1)} \otimes g \otimes 1^{\otimes (n-i)}) (\text{id}^{\otimes (i-1)} \otimes \Delta \otimes \text{id}^{\otimes (n-i)}) \otimes_H \text{id}_M \right] \varphi(b_1, \ldots, b_n) \in H^{\otimes (n+1)} \otimes_H M.$$  \hfill (3.5)
Direct computations show that $d_{n+1} \circ d_n = 0$. If $d_n \varphi = 0$, then $\varphi$ is called an $n$-co
cycle. A cochain $\varphi \in C^n(A, M)$ is called an $n$-coboundary if there exists an $(n - 1)$-cochain $\psi$ such that $d_n \psi = \varphi$. Denote by $Z^n(A, M)$ and $B^n(A, M)$ the subspaces of $n$-cocycles and $n$
coboundaries, respectively. The quotient space $H^n(A, M) = Z^n(A, M)/B^n(A, M)$ is called the $n$-th Hochschild cohomology group of $A$ with coefficients in $M$.

Let us see in more details the zero, first and second cohomologies. The case $n = 0$ deserve special attention. It is not explicitly written in any work. We shall assume that $A^{\otimes 0} = F = H^{\otimes 0}$. Then, the 0-cochain $\varphi \in C^0(A, M)$ is a map

$$\varphi : F \to F \otimes_H M.$$ 

Hence, $\varphi$ is fully determined by $\varphi(1) \in F \otimes_H M \simeq M/H^+M$, where $H^+ = \{ h \in H \mid \varepsilon(h) = 0 \}$ is the augmentation ideal, and $F \cdot h := F \varepsilon(h)$. Therefore,

$$C^0(A, M) \simeq M/H^+M.$$ 

Observe that $C^1(A, M) = \text{Hom}_H(A, M)$ and the differential $d_0 : C^0(A, M) \to C^1(A, M)$ is defined by the following formula: if $\varphi \in C^0(A, M)$ and $u_\varphi := \varphi(1) \in M$, then

$$(d_0 \varphi)(a) = \sum_i (\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon)(h_i) u_i - \sum_j (\varepsilon \otimes \text{id})(l_j) v_j \in M,$$

where $a \ast u_\varphi = \sum_i h_i \otimes_H u_i \in H^{\otimes 2} \otimes_H M$ and $u_\varphi \ast a = \sum_j l_j \otimes_H v_j \in H^{\otimes 2} \otimes_H M$, for $a \in A$, or in a simpler form, we have

$$(d_0 \varphi)(a) = \left[ (\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon) \otimes_H \text{id}_M \right] (a \ast u_\varphi) - \left[ (\varepsilon \otimes \text{id}) \otimes_H \text{id}_M \right] (u_\varphi \ast a). \quad (3.6)$$

It is clear that $d_0$ is well defined: If $\varphi(1) = 1 \otimes_H hu$, with $\varepsilon(h) = 0$, then we simple have to use $a \ast hu = ((1 \otimes h) \otimes_H 1)(a \ast u)$ and $hu \ast a = ((h \otimes 1) \otimes_H 1)(u \ast a)$ in (3.6) to get the result. Similarly, it is easy to see that $d_0 \varphi \in C^1(A, M)$.

Therefore, we obtain

$$H^0(A, M) = \left\{ u \in M/H^+M \mid \left[ (\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon) \otimes_H \text{id}_M \right] (a \ast u) = \left[ (\varepsilon \otimes \text{id}) \otimes_H \text{id}_M \right] (u \ast a), \text{ for all } a \in A \right\}.$$ 

Now, recall that $C^1(A, M) = \text{Hom}_H(A, M)$, since we identified $H \otimes_H M \simeq M$. Observe that

$$C^2(A, M) = \left\{ \varphi : A \otimes A \to H^{\otimes 2} \otimes_H M \mid \varphi(ha, gb) = ((h \otimes g) \otimes_H 1)\varphi(a, b), \forall a, b \in A, \forall h, g \in H \right\}$$

and the differential is given by $(d_1 \varphi)(a, b) = a \ast \varphi(b) - \varphi(a \ast b) + \varphi(a) \ast b$. Using the conventions (3.3) and (3.4), it is clear that

$$d_1 \varphi(a, b) = a \ast \varphi(b) - \varphi(a \ast b) + \varphi(a) \ast b,$$

and it remains to prove that the composition (3.5) means that $\varphi(a \ast b) = (\text{id}_{H^{\otimes 2} \otimes_H M})\varphi(a \ast b)$, that is, we have to consider the trivial extension of $\varphi$ to a map from $H^{\otimes 2} \otimes_H A$ to $M$. In fact, if $a \ast b = \sum_j g_j \otimes_H c_j$ with $g_j \in H^{\otimes 2}$ and $c_j \in A$, then using (3.5), we have

$$\varphi(a \ast b) = \sum_j \varphi(g_j \otimes_H c_j) = \sum_j (g_j \Delta \otimes_H \text{id}_M) \varphi(c_j) = \sum_j g_j \otimes_H \varphi(c_j) = (\text{id}_{H^{\otimes 2} \otimes_H M})\varphi(a \ast b), \quad (3.7)$$
and in the middle of (3.7) we have used that \( \varphi(c_j) \in M \) since we identified \( H \otimes_H M \) with \( M \).

A map \( f \in \text{Hom}_H(A, M) \) is called a derivation from \( A \) to \( M \) if

\[
f(a * b) = a M f(b) + f(a) M b,
\]

for all \( a, b \in A \) and \( f \) extended trivially to a map from \( H^{\otimes 2} \otimes_H A \) to \( M \). We denote by \( \text{Der}(A, M) \) the set of all derivations from \( A \) to \( M \). Then \( \ker d_1 = \text{Der}(A, M) \).

**Proposition 3.1.** For \( u \in M \), we define \( f_u : A \to M \) by

\[
f_u(a) = \left[ (\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon) \otimes_H \text{id}_M \right](a * u) - \left[ (\varepsilon \otimes \text{id}) \otimes_H \text{id}_M \right](u * a).
\]

Then \( f_u \) is \( H \)-linear and it is a derivation. Hence, we have that \( d_1 \circ d_0 = 0 \).

**Proof.** First, we prove that it is \( H \)-linear:

\[
f_u(ha) = \left[ (\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon) \otimes_H \text{id}_M \right](h \otimes 1) \otimes_H 1 \right)(a * u) - \left[ (\varepsilon \otimes \text{id}) \otimes_H \text{id}_M \right]((1 \otimes h) \otimes_H 1 \right)(u * a).
\]

In order to prove that it is a derivation, observe that

\[
a * f_u(b) = a * \left[ (\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon) \otimes_H \text{id}_M \right](b * u) - a * \left[ (\varepsilon \otimes \text{id}) \otimes_H \text{id}_M \right](u * b)
\]

\[ (3.8) \]

\[
f_u(a) * b = \left[ (\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon) \otimes_H \text{id}_M \right](a * u) * b - \left[ (\varepsilon \otimes \text{id}) \otimes_H \text{id}_M \right](u * a) * b
\]

\[ (3.9) \]

\[
f_u(a * b) = \sum_i (f_i \otimes g_i) \otimes_H \left[ (\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon) \otimes_H \text{id}_M \right](e_i * u) - \left[ (\varepsilon \otimes \text{id}) \otimes_H \text{id}_M \right](u * e_i),
\]

\[ (3.10) \]

where \( a * b = \sum_i (f_i \otimes g_i) \otimes_H e_i \), and in (3.10) we used (3.7). Now, let us see that the first term of (3.8) is equal to the first term of (3.10). If \( b * u = \sum_i (h_i \otimes l_i) \otimes_H u_i \), then

\[
\left[ (\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon) \otimes_H \text{id}_M \right](b * u) = \sum_i h_i \varepsilon(l_i) u_i \in M.
\]

Hence, using that \( a * u_i = \sum_j (h_{ij} \otimes l_{ij}) \otimes_H u_{ij} \), we obtain that the first term of (3.8) is equal to

\[
\sum_i a * (h_i \varepsilon(l_i) u_i) = \sum_{i,j} (h_{ij} \otimes h_i \varepsilon(l_i) l_{ij}) \otimes_H u_{ij} = \sum_{i,j} (h_{ij} \otimes h_i l_{ij(1)} \varepsilon(l_{ij(2)}) \varepsilon(l_i)) \otimes_H u_{ij} = \sum_{i,j} \left( \text{id} \otimes \varepsilon \otimes H \right)(a * (b * u)).
\]

\[ (3.11) \]

Now, if \( e_i * u = \sum_j (f_{ij} \otimes g_{ij}) \otimes_H v_{ij} \), then \( \left[ (\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon) \otimes_H \text{id}_M \right](e_i * u) = \sum_j f_{ij} \varepsilon(g_{ij}) v_{ij} \in M \). Hence, we obtain that the first term of (3.10) is equal to

\[
\sum_{i,j} (f_i \otimes g_i) \Delta(f_{ij} \varepsilon(g_{ij})) \otimes_H v_{ij} = \sum_{i,j} \left( f_i f_{ij(1)} \otimes g_i f_{ij(2)} \varepsilon(g_{ij}) \right) \otimes_H v_{ij} = \left[ (\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon) \otimes_H \text{id}_M \right](a * b) * u,
\]

which is equal to (3.11), proving that the first term of (3.8) is equal to the first term of (3.10).

Similarly, with the same ideas, one can prove that the second term of (3.8) is equal to the first term of (3.9), and the second term of (3.9) is equal to the second term of (3.10). More precisely, it is possible to prove that
obtaining that $f_u$ is a derivation. □

The derivations in Proposition 3.1 are called inner derivations, and we denote by $\text{IDer}(A, M)$ the corresponding set. Therefore, we obtain

$$H^1(A, M) = \text{Der}(A, M)/\text{IDer}(A, M).$$

If $\varphi \in C^2(A, M)$, the definition of $d_2$ is clear:

$$(d_2 \varphi)(a, b, c) = a \ast \varphi(b, c) - \varphi(a \ast b, c) + \varphi(a, b \ast c) - \varphi(a, b) \ast c.$$ as well as the cohomology group $H^2(A, M)$.

4. $H$-pseudolinear maps and extensions of modules over associative $H$-pseudoalgebra

In this section, we introduce the $H$-pseudoalgebra analog of the "Hom" functor, defined in Section 10 in [1], and then we describe the extensions of modules over associative $H$-pseudoalgebra. The contents of this section are completely new.

**Definition 4.1.** Let $M$ and $N$ be two left $H$-modules. An $H$-pseudolinear map from $M$ to $N$ is an $F$-linear map $\phi : M \to (H \otimes H) \otimes_H N$ such that

$$\phi(hu) = ((1 \otimes h) \otimes_H 1) \phi(u), \quad h \in H, u \in M.$$ We denote the space of all such $\phi$ by $\text{Chom}(M, N)$. We define a left action of $H$ on $\text{Chom}(M, N)$ by

$$(h\phi)(u) = ((h \otimes 1) \otimes_H 1) \phi(u).$$

Consider the map $\rho : \text{Chom}(M, N) \otimes M \to H^\otimes 2 \otimes_H N$, given by $\rho(\phi \otimes u) := \phi(u)$. By definition, it is $H^\otimes 2$-linear, so it is a polylinear map in $\mathcal{M}(H)$, see [1] for details. We will also use the notation $\phi \ast u = \phi(u)$ and consider this as a pseudoproduct or action.

**Proposition 4.2.** Let $A$ be an associative $H$-pseudoalgebra, and let $M$ and $N$ be two finite left $A$-modules. Then, we have

(a) $\text{Chom}(M, N)$ is a left $A$-module with the following action:

$$(a \ast \phi)(u) := a \ast (\phi \ast u)$$

for $a \in A, \phi \in \text{Chom}(M, N)$ and $u \in M$, where the composition rules are those defined in (2.1).

(b) $\text{Chom}(M, N)$ is a right $A$-module with the following action:

$$(\phi \ast a)(u) := \phi(a \ast u).$$

(c) $\text{Chom}(M, N)$ is a bimodule over $A$.

The proof of this proposition follows immediately by the definitions of left and right modules over $A$, and the compositions rules of polylinear maps.
Definition 4.3. Let $M$ and $N$ be two left $A$-modules. An extension $E$ of $N$ by $M$ is an $H$-split exact sequence of left $A$-modules

$$0 \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow E \longrightarrow N \longrightarrow 0.$$  

Two extensions $E_1$ and $E_2$ are equivalent if there exists an isomorphism $h : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$ of $A$-modules, such that the diagram

$$
\begin{array}{ccc}
0 & \longrightarrow & M \\
\| & \downarrow & \| \\
E & \longrightarrow & N \\
\| & h & \| \\
0 & \longrightarrow & M \\
\end{array}
$$

is commutative.

The following theorem is one of the main results of this work.

Theorem 4.4. Given two finite left $A$-modules $M$ and $N$, the set of equivalence classes of $H$-split extensions

$$0 \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow E \longrightarrow N \longrightarrow 0$$

of $N$ by $M$ are in one-to-one correspondence with elements of $H^1(A, \text{Chom}(N, M))$.

Proof. Let $0 \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow i \longrightarrow E \longrightarrow p \longrightarrow N \longrightarrow 0$ be an extension of $A$-modules, which is split over $H$. Choose a splitting $E = M \oplus N = \{(u, v) \mid u \in M, v \in N\}$ as $H$-modules. The fact that $i$ and $p$ are homomorphisms of left $A$-modules implies ($a \in A, u \in M, v \in N$)

$$E \quad a \ast u = a \ast u \quad \text{and} \quad a \ast v - a \ast v := \gamma(a)(v) \in H^{\otimes 2} \otimes M.$$  

(4.1)

Using the $H^{\otimes 2}$-linearity of the action in the module $E$, it is easy to see that $\gamma(a) \in \text{Chom}(A, M)$ and $\gamma : A \longrightarrow \text{Chom}(N, M)$ is $H$-linear. In other words, we have that $H^1(A, \text{Chom}(N, M)) = \text{Hom}_H(A, \text{Chom}(N, M))$.

Using associativity of $E$, we have (for $a, b \in A, u \in M, v \in N$)

$$(a \ast b) \ast (u, v) = ((a \ast b) \ast u + \gamma(a \ast b)(v), (a \ast b) \ast v),$$

and

$$a \ast (b \ast (u, v)) = a \ast (b \ast u + \gamma(b)(v), b \ast v)$$

$$= ((a \ast (b \ast u)) + a \ast (\gamma(b)(v)) + \gamma(a)(b \ast v), a \ast (b \ast v)).$$

Subtracting these two equations and using (4.1), we have

$$\gamma(a \ast b)(v) = a \ast (\gamma(b)(v)) + \gamma(a)(b \ast v)$$

and using the definition of the $A$-bimodule structure in $\text{Chom}(N, M)$, we obtain that $\gamma(a \ast b)(v) = (a \ast \gamma(b))(v) + ((\gamma(a)) \ast b)(v)$ for all $v \in N$. Therefore, the associativity in $E$ is equivalent to

$$(d_1 \gamma)(a, b) = a \ast \gamma(b) - \gamma(a \ast b) + (\gamma(a)) \ast b = 0.$$

If we have two isomorphic extensions $E$ and $E'$ associated to the closed elements $\gamma$ and $\gamma'$, and we choose a compatible splitting over $H$, then the isomorphism $h : E \longrightarrow E'$ is determined by an element $\beta \in \text{Hom}_H(N, M)$, that is $h : M \oplus N \rightarrow M \oplus N'$, with $h(u, v) = (u + \beta(v), v)'$. Using that

$$h(a \ast (u, v)) = (a \ast u + \gamma(a)(v) + \beta(a \ast v), a \ast v),$$
and

\[ a \ast (h(u, v)) = a \ast (u + \beta(v), v)' \]

\[ = (a \ast u + a \ast (\beta(v)) + \gamma'(a)(v), a \ast v), \]

we have

\[ \gamma(a)(v) = \gamma'(a)(v) + a \ast (\beta(v)) - \beta(a \ast v). \quad (4.2) \]

Now, using that

\[ \text{Hom}_H(N, M) \simeq F \otimes H \text{Chom}(N, M) \simeq C^0(A, \text{Chom}(N, M)), \quad (4.3) \]

(see Remark 10.1 in [1] for details), we need to prove that (4.2) is equivalent to \( \gamma = \gamma' + (d_0 \beta) \).

In order to simplify the notation, recall that any element in \( H^\otimes 2 \otimes H W \) can be written uniquely in the form \( \sum_i (h_i \otimes 1) \otimes H u_i \), where \( \{h_i\} \) is a fixed \( F \)-basis of \( H \). In more details, given \( \phi \in \text{Chom}(N, M) \), we define the map \( \phi_1 : N \to M \) as follows: if \( \phi(v) = \sum_i (h_i \otimes 1) \otimes H u_i \), then \( \phi_1(v) = \sum_i \epsilon(h_i) u_i \). The map \( \phi_1 \) is \( H \)-linear and establishes the isomorphism in (4.3). Let \( \phi \in \text{Chom}(N, M) \) such that \( \phi_1 = \beta \). Observe that

\[ (d_0 \phi)(a) = [(\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon) \otimes H \text{id}_\text{Chom}](a \ast \phi) - [(\varepsilon \otimes \text{id}) \otimes H \text{id}_\text{Chom}](\phi \ast a). \]

Hence, we need to prove that (for \( v \in N \))

\[ \left( [(\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon) \otimes H \text{id}_\text{Chom}](a \ast \phi) \right)(v) = a \ast (\beta(v)) \quad (4.4) \]

and

\[ \left( [(\varepsilon \otimes \text{id}) \otimes H \text{id}_\text{Chom}](\phi \ast a) \right)(v) = \beta(a \ast v). \quad (4.5) \]

Now, we shall prove (4.4), and the proof of (4.5) is similar. First of all, we need to see that

\[ \left( [(\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon) \otimes H \text{id}_\text{Chom}](a \ast \phi) \right)(v) = \left( [\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon \otimes \text{id}] \otimes H \text{id}_M \right)(a \ast \phi)(v), \quad (4.6) \]

Observe that \( [(\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon) \otimes H \text{id}_\text{Chom}](a \ast \phi) = \sum_i \varepsilon(g_i) f_i \varphi_i \), if \( a \ast \phi = \sum_i (f_i \otimes g_i) \otimes H \varphi_i \). Hence, we have that

\[ \left( [(\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon) \otimes H \text{id}_\text{Chom}](a \ast \phi) \right)(v) = \sum_i \varepsilon(g_i) (f_i \varphi_i)(v) = \sum_i \varepsilon(g_i) \left( [f_i \otimes 1] \otimes H 1_M \right)(\varphi_i(v)) \]

\[ = \sum_{i,j} \varepsilon(g_i) (f_i f_{ij} \otimes g_{ij}) \otimes H u_{ij}, \quad (4.7) \]

where \( \varphi_i(v) = \sum_j (f_{ij} \otimes g_{ij}) \otimes H u_{ij} \). On the other hand, using the previous notation, we have that

\[ (a \ast \phi)(v) = \sum_{i,j} (f_i f_{ij}(1) \otimes g_i f_{ij}(2) \otimes g_{ij}) \otimes H u_{ij}, \]

obtaining that

\[ \left( [\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon \otimes \text{id}] \otimes H \text{id}_M \right)(a \ast \phi)(v) = \sum_{i,j} \varepsilon(g_i) (f_i f_{ij} \otimes g_{ij}) \otimes H u_{ij}. \quad (4.8) \]

Therefore, combining (4.7) and (4.8), we have proved (4.4).

If \( \phi(v) = \sum_i (h_i \otimes 1) \otimes H u_i \) and \( a \ast u_i = \sum_j (h_j \otimes 1) \otimes H u_{ij} \), then

\[ a \ast (\phi(v)) = \sum_{i,j} (h_j \otimes h_i \otimes 1) \otimes H u_{ij}, \]
Definition 5.1. An abelian extension of an associative $H$-pseudoalgebra $A$ by an $A$-bimodule $M$, is an associative $H$-pseudoalgebra $E$ in a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow E \rightarrow A \rightarrow 0,$$

where $M \ast M = 0$ in $E$. Two abelian extensions $E_1$ and $E_2$ are equivalent if there exists an isomorphism $f : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$ such that the diagram

$$
\begin{array}{c}
0 \\[-1em]
\downarrow 1_M \\[-1em]
0
\end{array} 
\quad 
\begin{array}{c}
0 \\[-1em]
\downarrow f \\[-1em]
E_1 \\[-1em]
\downarrow 1_A \\[-1em]
A \\[-1em]
\downarrow 0
\end{array} 
\quad 
\begin{array}{c}
0 \\[-1em]
\downarrow 1_M \\[-1em]
0
\end{array}
$$

is commutative.

Theorem 5.2. (Proved in [12]). The equivalence classes of $H$-split abelian extensions of $A$ by an $A$-bimodule $M$ correspond bijectively to $H^2(A, M)$.

The next part of this section is a new contribution.

Definition 5.3. (a) Let $t$ be a formal variable and $(A, \ast)$ an associative $H$-pseudoalgebra. A first order deformation of $A$ is a family of $H$-pseudoproducts of the form

$$a \hat{\ast} b = a \ast b + t f(a, b)$$

with $a, b \in A$, where $f : A \otimes A \rightarrow H \otimes^2 H A$ is an $H \otimes^2 H$-linear map (independent of $t$), such that $(A, \hat{\ast})$ is a family of associative $H$-pseudoalgebras up to the first order in $t$ (i.e. modulo $t^2$). More precisely, the $H$-pseudoproduct $\hat{\ast}$ is an $H \otimes^2 H$-linear map and it satisfies

$$(a \hat{\ast} b) \hat{\ast} c = a \hat{\ast} (b \hat{\ast} c) \mod t^2, \quad (5.1)$$

where $H$ acts trivially on $t$.

(b) Two first order deformations $\ast^{(1)}$ and $\ast^{(2)}$ of $A$ are equivalent if there exists a family $\phi_t : A \rightarrow A[t]$, of $H$-linear maps of the form $\phi_t = \text{id}_A + t g$, where $g : A \rightarrow A$ is an $H$-linear map such that

$$\phi_t(a \ast^{(1)} b) = \phi_t(a) \ast^{(2)} \phi_t(b) \mod t^2; \quad (5.2)$$
Therefore, we have seen that (5.3) is a first order deformation of 
\( H_{\lambda}^{a,b} \) for all \((a) A\) left conformal module
exactly to \( H\) conformal algebras. Conformal algebras are exactly
associative \( H\) algebra that
\[ \phi_t := \text{id}_A + t g \]
satisfies (5.2). A direct computation shows that (5.2) is equivalent to
\[ f_1(a,b) - f_2(a,b) = a * g(b) - g(a * b) + g(a) * b, \]
for all \( a,b \in A \). Therefore, it is equivalent to \( f_1 - f_2 = d_1 g \), finishing the proof. \( \square \)

6. Cohomology of associative conformal algebras

In this final section, we restrict the definitions and results of the previous sections to associative conformal algebras. Conformal algebras are exactly \( H\)-pseudoalgebras over the polynomial Hopf algebra \( H = \mathbb{C}[\partial] \), with coproduct \( (\Delta f)(\partial) = f(\partial \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \partial) \), counit \( \varepsilon(f) = f(0) \), and antipode \( (S f)(\partial) = f(-\partial) \). The structure of a conformal algebra on a \( \mathbb{C}[\partial]\)-module \( A \) is given by a \( \mathbb{C}\)-linear map \( A \otimes A \to A[\lambda] \), \( a \otimes b \mapsto a_{\lambda} b \), called the \( \lambda\)-product. The relation between pseudoproduct and \( \lambda\)-product is given by
\[ a * b = (a_{\lambda} b)_{\lambda = -\partial \otimes 1} \]
The \( H^{\otimes 2}\)-linearity on * corresponds to the sesquilinearity:
\[ (\partial a)_{\lambda} b = -\lambda (a_{\lambda} b), \quad \text{and} \quad a_{\lambda}(\partial b) = (\lambda + \partial)(a_{\lambda} b). \] (6.1)
The conformal algebra is called associative if
\[ (a_{\lambda} b)_{\lambda + \mu} c = a_{\lambda}(b_{\mu} c), \]
which is the restriction of the associative axiom of a pseudoproduct.

Definition 6.1. Let \( A \) be an associative conformal algebra.
(a) A left conformal module over \( A \) is a \( \mathbb{C}[\partial]\)-module \( M \) with a \( \mathbb{C}\)-linear map \( A \otimes M \to \mathbb{C}[\lambda] \otimes M \), \( a \otimes u \mapsto a_{\lambda} u \), called the \( \lambda\)-action, satisfying the properties \((a, b \in A, u \in M)\):
\[ (\partial a)_{\lambda} u = -\lambda a_{\lambda} u, \quad a_{\lambda}(\partial u) = (\lambda + \partial)(a_{\lambda} u), \]
\[ a_{\lambda}(b_{\mu} u) = (a_{\lambda} b)_{\lambda + \mu} u. \]
(b) A right conformal module over $A$ is a $\mathbb{C}[\partial]$-module $M$ with a $\mathbb{C}$-linear map $M \otimes A \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[\lambda] \otimes M$, $u \otimes a \mapsto u\lambda a$, called the $\lambda$-action, satisfying the corresponding sesquilinearity and
\[ u\lambda(a\mu,b) = (u\lambda a)_{\lambda+\mu}b. \]

(c) A conformal bimodule $M$ over $A$ is a left and right conformal module that satisfies
\[ \lambda a\mu(b) = (\lambda a)_{\lambda+\mu}b. \]

The notion of conformal bimodule was introduced after Definition 1.4 in [4]. A conformal module is called finite if it is finitely generated over $\mathbb{C}[\partial]$.

Now, we describe $\text{Chom}(M,N)$ in the conformal case, that is $H = \mathbb{C}[\partial]$. Let $M$ and $N$ be two $\mathbb{C}[\partial]$-modules. A conformal linear map from $M$ to $N$ is a $\mathbb{C}$-linear map $f_\lambda : M \rightarrow N[\lambda]$, such that
\[ f_\lambda(\partial u) = (\lambda + \partial) f_\lambda(u), \]
for $u \in M$. We denote the vector space of all such maps by $\text{Chom}(M,N)$. It has an structure of a $\mathbb{C}[\partial]$-module given by
\[ (\partial f)_\lambda(u) := -\lambda f_\lambda(u). \]
If $M$ and $N$ are finite left conformal $A$-modules, then $\text{Chom}(M,N)$ is a left conformal $A$-module with the action (for $a \in A, u \in M$)
\[ (a\lambda f)_\mu u := a\lambda(f_{\mu-\lambda} u), \]
and it is a right conformal $A$-module with the action (for $a \in A, u \in M$)
\[ (f_\lambda a)_\mu u := f_\lambda(a_{\mu-\lambda} u). \]
With these structures, it is a conformal bimodule over $A$.

In [4], the Hochschild cohomology group was defined and the space of $n$-cochains has $n$ variables, and it was necessary to take certain quotient.

In [10], for the case of Lie conformal algebras, the definition was improved by taking $n-1$ variables. Following this idea, we define the Hochschild cohomology for an associative conformal algebra $A$ and a bimodule $M$ over $A$. The space of $n$-cochains $C^n(A,M)$ consists of all maps
\[ \varphi_{1,\ldots,n-1} : A^\otimes n \rightarrow M[\lambda_1,\ldots,\lambda_{n-1}], \]
such that (here we use that $H^\otimes n \otimes H M \simeq H^{(n-1)} \otimes M$ and the $H^\otimes n$-linearity in [3.1] translate into the following sesquilinearity properties)
\[ \varphi_{1,\ldots,n-1}(a_1,\ldots,\partial a_i,\ldots,a_n) = -\lambda_i \varphi_{1,\ldots,n-1}(a_1,\ldots,a_n), \quad i = 1,\ldots,n-1, \]
and
\[ \varphi_{1,\ldots,n-1}(a_1,\ldots,\partial a_n) = (\partial + \lambda_1 + \cdots + \lambda_{n-1}) \varphi_{1,\ldots,n-1}(a_1,\ldots,a_n). \]

The differential turns into
\[ (d_n \varphi)_{\lambda_1,\ldots,\lambda_n}(a_1,\ldots,a_{n+1}) = (a_1)_{\lambda_1} \varphi_{2,\ldots,n}(a_2,\ldots,a_{n+1}) \]
\[ + \sum_{i=1}^{n} (-1)^i \varphi_{1,\ldots,\lambda_i+\lambda_{i+1},\ldots,\lambda_n}(a_1,\ldots,(a_i)_{\lambda_i}(a_{i+1}),\ldots,a_{n+1}) \]
\[ + (-1)^{n+1} \varphi_{1,\ldots,n-1}(a_1,\ldots,a_n)(\lambda_{1+\cdots+\lambda_n})a_{n+1}. \]
Now, we write the details of the lowest degree cohomologies. First of all, we have $C^0(A,M) \simeq M/\partial M$ and $C^1(A,M) = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}[\partial]}(A,M)$. In order to define the differential $d_0$, we need the following ideas. Choosing a set of generators $\{u_j\}$ of the $\mathbb{C}[\partial]$-module $M$, we can write for $a \in A$ and $u \in M$

$$a\lambda u = \sum_k Q_k(\lambda, \partial) u_k,$$

where $Q_k$ are some polynomials in $\lambda$ and $\partial$. Taking

$$P_k(x,y) := Q_k(-x,x+y),$$

the correspondent left pseudoaction of $A$ on $M$ is given by the $\mathbb{C}[\partial] \otimes 2$-linear map $* : A \otimes M \to (H \otimes H) \otimes_H M$ defined by

$$a \ast u = \sum_k P_k(\partial \otimes 1, 1 \otimes \partial) \otimes_H u_k.$$

We consider similar formulas for the right conformal and pseudoactions. That is, if $u\lambda a = \sum_i S_i(\lambda, \partial) u_i$, then $u \ast a = \sum_i R_i(\partial \otimes 1, 1 \otimes \partial) \otimes_H u_i$, where $R_i(x,y) := S_i(-x,x+y)$. Now, we apply formula (3.6). If $\varphi(1) = u$, then

$$(d_0 \varphi)(a) = \sum_k P_k(\partial,0) u_k - \sum_i R_i(0, \partial) u_i.$$

Then, in the conformal case, we obtain

$$(d_0 \varphi)(a) = \sum_k Q_k(-\partial, \partial) u_k - \sum_i S_i(0, \partial) u_i = a_\partial u - u_\partial a.$$

Therefore, $H^0(A,M) = \{u \in M/\partial M \mid a_\partial u = u_\partial a \text{ for all } a \in A\}$.

A map $f \in \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}[\partial]}(A,M)$ is called a derivation from $A$ to $M$, if

$$f(a\lambda b) = a\lambda f(b) + f(a)\lambda b$$

for all $a, b \in A$. Observe that

$$C^2(A,M) = \{\varphi : A \otimes A \to M[\lambda] \mid \varphi(\partial a,b) = -\lambda \varphi(a,b) \text{ and } \varphi(a,\partial b) = (\lambda + \partial) \varphi(a,b)\}$$

and the differential $d_1 : C^1(A,M) \to C^2(A,M)$ is given by

$$(d_1 \varphi)(a,b) = a_\partial \varphi(b) - \varphi(a_\lambda b) + \varphi(a)\lambda b.$$ 

It is clear that $\text{Ker} d_1 = \text{Der}(A,M)$. And the maps $g_u : A \to M$ (for $u \in M$) defined by

$$g_u(a) = a_\partial u - u_\partial a$$

correspond to the inner derivations or the image of $d_0$. By definition, we have

$$(d_2 \varphi)_{\lambda,\mu}(a,b,c) = a_\lambda \varphi_{\mu}(b,c) - \varphi_{\lambda+\mu}(a_\lambda b,c) + \varphi(\lambda(a_\mu b)) - \varphi(\lambda(a,b)_{\lambda+\mu} c).$$

Finally, the Theorem 4.4, Theorem 5.2 and Theorem 5.4 hold for associative conformal algebras.

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