

# HOCHSCHILD COHOMOLOGY OF STRATIFIED ALGEBRAS

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

When studying Hochschild cohomology it is natural to try relating cohomology of an algebra  $B$  to that of an 'easier' or 'smaller' algebra  $A$ . One such situation is that of  $B$  being a one-point extension of  $A$ , which has been studied by Happel[5]. More recently, Happel's long exact sequence has been generalized to triangular matrix algebras, for example by Michelena and Platzek [6], C.Cibils, E.Marcos, M.J.Redondo and A.Solotar [2] and E.L.Green and O.Solberg [4].

We would like to suggest to try further generalizing these results. Natural generalizations of directed or triangular algebras are stratified algebras (when just keeping good homological connections between  $B$  and its quotient  $A$ ).

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

Let  $k$  be a field. Throughout this paper, all algebras are finite dimensional  $k$ -algebras and all modules are left modules unless otherwise stated. For any algebra  $A$ , we denote by  $A^e$  the enveloping algebra  $A \otimes_k A^{\text{op}}$ . We prepare the following lemma for the next section.

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $X$  be a  $A$ - $B$ -bimodule,  $Y$  a  $B$ - $C$ -bimodule and  $Z$  a  $A$ - $C$ -bimodule. We have the following isomorphisms:*

(1) *If  $\text{Tor}_i^B(X, Y) = 0$  and  $\text{Ext}_C^i(Y, Z) = 0$  for all  $i \geq 1$  then, for any  $n \geq 0$ ,*

$$\text{Ext}_{A-C}^n(X \otimes_B Y, Z) \cong \text{Ext}_{A-B}^n(X, \text{Hom}_C(Y, Z)).$$

(2) *If  $\text{Tor}_i^B(X, Y) = 0$  and  $\text{Ext}_A^i(X, Z) = 0$  for all  $i \geq 1$  then, for any  $n \geq 0$ ,*

$$\text{Ext}_{A-C}^n(X \otimes_B Y, Z) \cong \text{Ext}_{B-C}^n(Y, \text{Hom}_A(X, Z)).$$

*Proof.* See Cartan-Eilenberg's book [1]. □

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $I$  be an ideal of an algebra  $B$ . If  $\text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(I, B/I) = 0$  for all  $i \geq 0$ , then we have the following two long exact sequences:*

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad & \cdots \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(B, I) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(B, B) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(B/I, B/I) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^{n+1}(B, I) \rightarrow \cdots ; \\ (2) \quad & \cdots \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(B/I, I) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(B, B) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(B/I, B/I) \oplus \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(I, I) \\ & \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^{n+1}(B/I, I) \rightarrow \cdots . \end{aligned}$$

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*Proof.* We denote  $B/I$  by  $A$ , the inclusion  $I \rightarrow B$  by  $f$  and the surjection  $B \rightarrow A$  by  $g$ . We consider the following commutative diagram with exact rows and columns:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
\text{Ext}_{B^e}^{i-2}(I, A) & \longrightarrow & \text{Ext}_{B^e}^{i-1}(I, I) & \xrightarrow{f_{i-1}^I} & \text{Ext}_{B^e}^{i-1}(I, B) & \longrightarrow & \text{Ext}_{B^e}^{i-1}(I, A) \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \delta_I^{i-1} & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
\text{Ext}_{B^e}^{i-1}(A, A) & \xrightarrow{\delta_{i-1}^A} & \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(A, I) & \longrightarrow & \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(A, B) & \longrightarrow & \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(A, A) \\
\downarrow g_A^{i-1} & & \downarrow g_I^i & & \downarrow & & \downarrow g_A^i \\
\text{Ext}_{B^e}^{i-1}(B, A) & \xrightarrow{\delta_{i-1}^B} & \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(B, I) & \xrightarrow{f_i^B} & \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(B, B) & \xrightarrow{g_i^B} & \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(B, A) \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow f_B^i & & \downarrow \\
\text{Ext}_{B^e}^{i-1}(I, A) & \longrightarrow & \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(I, I) & \xrightarrow{f_i^I} & \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(I, B) & \longrightarrow & \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(I, A).
\end{array}$$

Since  $\text{Ext}^n(I, A) = 0$  for all  $n \geq 0$ , we have that  $f_n^I$  and  $g_n^A$  are isomorphic for all  $n \geq 0$ . It is not difficult to show that the following two sequences are exact:

$$\text{Ext}_{B^e}^{i-1}(A, A) \xrightarrow{\delta_{i-1}^B g_A^{i-1}} \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(B, I) \xrightarrow{f_i^B} \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(B, B) \xrightarrow{(g_A^i)^{-1} g_i^B} \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(A, A)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{Ext}_{B^e}^{i-1}(A, A) \oplus \text{Ext}_{B^e}^{i-1}(I, I) \xrightarrow{(-\delta_{i-1}^A, \delta_I^{i-1})} \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(A, I) \xrightarrow{f_i^B g_I^i} \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(B, B) \\
& \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} (g_A^i)^{-1} g_i^B \\ (f_i^I)^{-1} f_B^i \end{pmatrix}} \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(A, A) \oplus \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(I, I) \xrightarrow{(-\delta_i^A, \delta_I^i)} \text{Ext}_{B^e}^{i+1}(A, I).
\end{aligned}$$

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### 3. STRATIFYING IDEALS

**Definition 3** (Cline, Parshall and Scott [3], 2.1.1 and 2.1.2). Let  $B$  be a finite dimensional algebra and  $e = e^2$  an idempotent. The two-sided ideal  $J = BeB$  generated by  $e$  is called a *stratifying ideal* if the following equivalent conditions (A) and (B) are satisfied:

(A) (a) The multiplication map  $Be \otimes_{eBe} eB \rightarrow BeB$  is an isomorphism.

(b) For all  $n > 0$ :  $\text{Tor}_n^{eBe}(Be, eB) = 0$ .

(B) The epimorphism  $B \rightarrow A := B/BeB$  induces isomorphisms

$$\text{Ext}_A^*(X, Y) \simeq \text{Ext}_B^*(X, Y)$$

for all  $A$ -modules  $X$  and  $Y$ .

**Example 4.** (1) Any ideal generated by a central idempotent is a stratifying ideal.  
(2) If an algebra  $A$  has an idempotent  $e$  such that  $eA(1-e) = 0$ , then  $AeA$  and  $A(1-e)A$  are both stratifying ideals, namely, triangular matrix algebras have stratifying ideals.  
(3) Heredity ideals (used to define quasi-hereditary algebras) are examples of stratifying ideals.

**Proposition 5.** *Let  $B$  be an algebra with a stratifying ideal  $BeB$ . We denote by  $A$  the factor algebra  $B/BeB$ . For any  $i \geq 0$  and finite dimensional  $A^e$ -module  $M$ , the induced morphism  $g_M^i : \text{Ext}_{A^e}^i(A, M) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(B, M)$  is isomorphic.*

*Proof.* It is enough to show that the induced morphisms  $g_M^i$  is isomorphic for any simple  $A^e$ -module  $M$ . For any  $A$ -modules  $X$  and  $Y$ , there exists the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Ext}_{A^e}^i(A, \text{Hom}_k(X, Y)) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \text{Ext}_A^i(X, Y) \\ \downarrow g_{\text{Hom}_k(X, Y)}^i & & \downarrow \\ \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(B, \text{Hom}_k(X, Y)) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \text{Ext}_B^i(X, Y), \end{array}$$

where these isomorphisms in rows are induced from Lemma1. Any simple  $A^e$ -module has the form of  $\text{Hom}_k(X, Y)$  for some simple  $A$ -modules  $X$  and  $Y$ . Hence, by using the condition (B) of stratifying ideals, it is shown that  $g_M^i$  is isomorphic for any simple  $A^e$ -module  $M$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 6.** *Let  $B$  be an algebra with a stratifying ideal  $BeB$ . We denote by  $A$  the factor algebra  $B/BeB$ . For any  $i \geq 0$ , the following hold:*

- (1)  $\text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(BeB, A) = 0$ ;
- (2)  $\text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(BeB, BeB) \cong \text{Ext}_{eBe^e}^i(eBe, eBe)$ ;
- (3)  $\text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(A, A) \cong \text{Ext}_{A^e}^i(A, A)$ .

*Proof.* By Lemma1 and the condition (A) of stratifying ideals, for any  $B^e$ -module  $X$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(BeB, X) &\cong \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(Be \otimes_{eBe} eB, X) \\ &\cong \text{Ext}_{B-eBe}^i(Be, \text{Hom}_B(eB, X)) \\ &\cong \text{Ext}_{B-eBe}^i(Be \otimes_{eBe} eBe, Xe) \\ &\cong \text{Ext}_{eBe^e}^i(eBe, \text{Hom}_B(Be, Xe)) \\ &\cong \text{Ext}_{eBe^e}^i(eBe, eXe). \end{aligned}$$

Hence (1) and (2) hold.

By Proposition5,  $\text{Ext}_{A^e}^i(A, A) \cong \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(B, A)$ . By (1) above,  $\text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(B, A) \cong \text{Ext}_{B^e}^i(A, A)$ . Hence (3) holds.  $\square$

**Theorem 7.** *Let  $B$  be an algebra with a stratifying ideal  $BeB$ . We denote by  $A$  the factor algebra  $B/BeB$ . There exist the following two long exact sequences:*

- (1)  $\cdots \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(B, BeB) \rightarrow \text{HH}^n(B) \rightarrow \text{HH}^n(A) \rightarrow \cdots$ ;
- (2)  $\cdots \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(A, BeB) \rightarrow \text{HH}^n(B) \rightarrow \text{HH}^n(A) \oplus \text{HH}^n(eBe) \rightarrow \cdots$ .

*Proof.* By Lemma2 and Proposition6 (1), we have the following two long exact sequence:

$$\cdots \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(B, BeB) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(B, B) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(A, A) \rightarrow \cdots ;$$

and

$$\cdots \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(A, BeB) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(B, B) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(A, A) \oplus \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(BeB, BeB) \rightarrow \cdots .$$

By Proposition 6 (2) and (3), we have the following two long exact sequences:

$$\cdots \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(B, BeB) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(B, B) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{A^e}^n(A, A) \rightarrow \cdots ;$$

and

$$\cdots \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(A, BeB) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{B^e}^n(B, B) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{A^e}^n(A, A) \oplus \text{Ext}_{eBe}^n(eBe, eBe) \rightarrow \cdots .$$

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