

# HOCHSCHILD COHOMOLOGY OF $N_m$

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ABSTRACT. Let  $N_m(R) = \{(a_{ij}) \in M_m(R) \mid a_{11} = a_{22} = \cdots = a_{mm} \text{ and } a_{ij} = 0 \text{ for any } i > j\}$  for a commutative ring  $R$ . We calculate the Hochschild cohomology ring  $\mathrm{HH}^*(N_m(R), N_m(R))$  as  $R$ -algebras. We also calculate  $\mathrm{HH}^*(N_m(R), M_m(R)/N_m(R))$  as  $R$ -modules.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $R$  be a commutative ring. For  $m \geq 3$ , set

$$N_m(R) = \{(a_{ij}) \in M_m(R) \mid a_{11} = a_{22} = \cdots = a_{mm} \text{ and } a_{ij} = 0 \text{ for any } i > j\}.$$

Setting  $x_1 = E_{1,2}, x_2 = E_{2,3}, \dots, x_{m-1} = E_{m-1,m}$ , we have an isomorphism as  $R$ -algebras:

$$N_m(R) \cong R\langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m-1} \rangle / \langle x_i x_j \mid j \neq i+1 \rangle,$$

where  $E_{i,j} \in M_m(R)$  denotes the matrix with entry 1 in the  $(i, j)$ -component and 0 the other components. Since  $N_m(R)$  is a quadratic monomial algebra over  $R$ , it is Koszul. The Koszul dual  $N_m(R)^\dagger$  of  $N_m(R)$  is isomorphic to  $R\langle y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{m-1} \rangle / \langle y_i y_{i+1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq m-2 \rangle$ . Put

$$\varphi(d) = \mathrm{rank}_R N_m(R)_d^\dagger,$$

where  $|y_i| = 1$  and  $N_m(R)_d^\dagger$  is the homogeneous part of  $N_m(R)^\dagger$  of degree  $d$ . The Poincaré series  $f^\dagger(t) = \sum_{d \geq 0} \varphi(d)t^d$  can be calculated by

$$f^\dagger(t) = \frac{1}{1 + \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} (-1)^k (m-k)t^k}.$$

In this paper, we calculate the Hochschild cohomology  $\mathrm{HH}^*(N_m(R), M_m(R)/N_m(R))$  as  $R$ -modules. We also calculate  $\mathrm{HH}^*(N_m(R), N_m(R))$  as  $R$ -algebras. In the previous talk “An application of Hochschild cohomology to the moduli of subalgebras of the full matrix ring II”, we reported that we calculated the Hochschild cohomology  $\mathrm{HH}^*(A, M_3(k)/A)$  for any 26 types of  $k$ -subalgebras  $A$  of  $M_3(k)$  over an algebraically closed field  $k$ . Then  $N_3(k)$  is one of the most difficult  $k$ -subalgebras  $A$  of  $M_3(k)$  to calculate  $\mathrm{HH}^*(A, M_3(k)/A)$  (for

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details, see [4]). This time, we would like to calculate the case  $N_m(R)$  for  $m \geq 3$ . As a result of our calculation, we will obtain how to calculate Hochschild cohomology for some type of algebras  $A$ .

The main theorems of this paper are the following:

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $m \geq 3$ . The Hochschild cohomology  $\mathrm{HH}^n(N_m(R), M_m(R)/N_m(R))$  is a free  $R$ -module for  $n \geq 0$ . The rank of  $\mathrm{HH}^n(N_m(R), M_m(R)/N_m(R))$  for  $n \geq 0$  is given by*

$$\mathrm{rank}_R \mathrm{HH}^n(N_m(R), M_m(R)/N_m(R)) = \begin{cases} m-1 & (n=0) \\ (m-2)\varphi(n) & (n>0). \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $m \geq 3$ . The Hochschild cohomology  $\mathrm{HH}^n(N_m(R), N_m(R))$  is a free  $R$ -module for  $n \geq 0$ . The rank of  $\mathrm{HH}^n(N_m(R), N_m(R))$  is given by*

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{rank}_R \mathrm{HH}^n(N_m(R), N_m(R)) \\ = & \begin{cases} 2 & (n=0) \\ 2m-4 & (n=1) \\ \varphi(n) + (m-4)\varphi(n-1) \\ \quad + (-1)^m \varphi(n-m+1) + \sum_{k=2}^{m-1} (-1)^k (k+1)\varphi(n-k) & (n \geq 2). \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $m \geq 3$ . There is an augmentation map  $\epsilon : \mathrm{HH}^*(N_m(R), N_m(R)) \rightarrow R$  as an  $R$ -algebra homomorphism such that the Kernel  $\overline{\mathrm{HH}}^*(N_m(R), N_m(R))$  of  $\epsilon$  satisfies*

$$\overline{\mathrm{HH}}^*(N_m(R), N_m(R)) \cdot \overline{\mathrm{HH}}^*(N_m(R), N_m(R)) = 0.$$

*In particular,  $\mathrm{HH}^*(N_m(R), N_m(R))$  is an infinitely generated algebra over  $R$ .*

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

In this section, we make a brief survey of Hochschild cohomology (cf. [1] and [6]). We also explain four steps for proving the main theorems.

**Definition 4** (Hochschild cohomology). Let  $A$  be an associative algebra over a commutative ring  $R$ . Let  $M$  be an  $A$ -bimodule. Assume that  $A$  is projective over  $R$ . Let  $A^e := A \otimes_R A^{op}$  be the enveloping algebra of  $A$ . We regard  $M$  as a left  $A^e$ -module. We define the  $i$ -th Hochschild cohomology group  $H^i(A, M)$  as  $\mathrm{Ext}_{A^e}^i(A, M)$ .

**Proposition 5.** *Let  $R$ ,  $A$ , and  $M$  be as above. We can calculate  $H^i(A, M)$  by taking the cohomology groups of the bar complex  $(C^i(A, M), d^i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}}$  which is given by*

$$C^i(A, M) := \begin{cases} \mathrm{Hom}_R(A^{\otimes i}, M) & (i \geq 0) \\ 0 & (i < 0) \end{cases}$$

and  $d^i : C^i(A, M) \rightarrow C^{i+1}(A, M)$  ( $i \geq 0$ ) defined by

$$\begin{aligned} d^i(f)(a_1 \otimes a_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{i+1}) \\ := a_1 f(a_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{i+1}) + \sum_{j=1}^i (-1)^j f(a_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_j a_{j+1} \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{i+1}) \\ + (-1)^{i+1} f(a_1 \otimes a_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_i) a_{i+1} \end{aligned}$$

for  $f \in C^i(A, M)$  ( $i \geq 1$ ) and

$$d^0(m)(a) = am - ma$$

for  $m \in C^0(A, M) = M$ . Here the tensor products are over  $R$ .

Let  $N$  be another  $A$ -bimodule over  $R$ . We define a map

$$\cup : C^*(A, M) \times C^*(A, N) \longrightarrow C^*(A, M \otimes_A N)$$

by

$$(f \cup g)(a_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_p \otimes b_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes b_q) = f(a_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_p) \otimes g(b_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes b_q)$$

for  $f \in C^p(A, M)$  and  $g \in C^q(A, N)$ . The map  $\cup$  is  $R$ -bilinear and satisfies

$$d^{p+q}(f \cup g) = d^p(f) \cup g + (-1)^p f \cup d^q(g).$$

Hence the map  $\cup$  induces a map

$$\mathrm{HH}^p(A, M) \otimes_R \mathrm{HH}^q(A, N) \longrightarrow \mathrm{HH}^{p+q}(A, M \otimes_A N)$$

of  $R$ -modules. In particular,  $\mathrm{HH}^*(A, A)$  becomes a graded associative algebra over  $R$  by the cup product  $\cup$ .

We divide the proof of the main theorems into four steps.

(Step 1) Show that  $\mathrm{HH}^*(N_m(R), R) \cong N_m(R)^1$  as graded algebras over  $R$ .

(Step 2) For a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded  $N_m(R)$ -bimodule  $M = N_m(R)$  or  $M = M_m(R)/N_m(R)$ , consider a filtration of  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded  $N_m(R)$ -bimodules over  $R$ :

$$M = F^{-(m-1)}M \supset F^{-(m-2)}M \supset \cdots \supset F^m M = 0.$$

Set  $\mathrm{Gr}^p(M) = F^p M / F^{p+1} M$ . Construct a spectral sequence

$$E_1^{p,q} \cong \mathrm{HH}^{p+q}(N_m(R), \mathrm{Gr}^p(M)) \implies \mathrm{HH}^{p+q}(N_m(R), M),$$

which collapses from the  $E_2$ -page.

(Step 3) Calculate  $E_2^{p,q}$ .

(Step 4) Determine the product structure on  $E_\infty^{p,q}$  for  $M = N_m(R)$ .

In the following sections, we discuss four steps.

### 3. STEP 1

Let

$$J = \left\{ \left( \begin{array}{cccccc} 0 & * & * & \cdots & * \\ 0 & 0 & * & \cdots & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & * \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{array} \right) \in N_m(R) \right\} \subset N_m(R).$$

We calculate  $\mathrm{HH}^*(N_m(R), R)$  for the  $N_m(R)$ -bimodule  $N_m(R)/J \cong R$  over  $R$ . In this section, we show that  $\mathrm{HH}^*(N_m(R), R) \cong N_m(R)^\dagger$  as graded algebras over  $R$ .

Recall that the Koszul dual  $N_m(R)^\dagger$  is isomorphic to  $R\langle y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{m-1} \rangle / \langle y_i y_{i+1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq m-2 \rangle$  as an  $R$ -algebra, Setting  $|y_i| = 1$  for  $1 \leq i \leq m-1$ ,  $N_m(R)^\dagger$  can be regarded as a graded algebra over  $R$ . Let  $N_m(R)_d^\dagger$  be the homogeneous part of  $N_m(R)^\dagger$  of degree  $d$ . We denote by  $\mathcal{B}(N_d^\dagger)$  the  $R$ -basis of  $N_m(R)_d^\dagger$  consisting of monomials of degree  $d$ . Note that  $\mathcal{B}(N_0^\dagger) = \{1\}$ .

Set  $N = N_m(R)$  and  $N_d^\dagger = N_m(R)_d^\dagger$ . By [5, Theorem 3], there is a projective resolution  $\mathbb{P}$  of  $N_m(R)$  as  $N_m(R)$ -bimodules over  $R$  which is given by  $P_n = N \otimes_R N_n^\dagger \otimes_R N = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathcal{B}(N_n^\dagger)} N \otimes_R R p \otimes_R N$ ,

$$(3.1) \quad \cdots \rightarrow N \otimes_R N_2^\dagger \otimes_R N \xrightarrow{d_1} N \otimes_R N_1^\dagger \otimes_R N \xrightarrow{d_0} N \otimes_R N \xrightarrow{\mu} N \rightarrow 0,$$

$\mu(a \otimes b) = ab$ , and  $d_{n-1}(1 \otimes p_n \otimes 1) = x_{j'} \otimes p_n^R \otimes 1 + (-1)^n 1 \otimes p_n^L \otimes x_j$ , where  $p_n = p_n^L y_j = y_{j'} p_n^R \in N_n^\dagger$  and  $p_n^L, p_n^R \in N_{n-1}^\dagger$ .

**Proposition 6.**  $\mathrm{HH}^*(N_m(R), R) \cong N_m(R)^\dagger$  as graded algebras over  $R$ .

*Proof.* By taking  $\mathrm{Hom}_{N^e}(-, R)$  of  $\mathbb{P}$  in (3.1), we have

$$0 \rightarrow \mathrm{Hom}_{N^e}(N \otimes_R N, R) \xrightarrow{\delta^0} \mathrm{Hom}_{N^e}(N \otimes_R N_1^\dagger \otimes_R N, R) \xrightarrow{\delta^1} \mathrm{Hom}_{N^e}(N \otimes_R N_2^\dagger \otimes_R N, R) \rightarrow \cdots.$$

Since  $JR = RJ = 0$ ,  $\delta^i = 0$  for  $i \geq 0$ . Hence, for each  $i \geq 0$ ,  $\mathrm{HH}^i(N_m(R), R) \cong H^i(\mathrm{Hom}_{N^e}(N \otimes_R N_*^\dagger \otimes_R N, R)) \cong N_i^\dagger$ . We can also prove that  $\mathrm{HH}^*(N_m(R), R)$  is isomorphic to  $N_m(R)^\dagger$  as graded algebras over  $R$ .  $\square$

### 4. STEP 2

In this section, we construct a spectral sequence

$$E_1^{p,q} \cong \mathrm{HH}^{p+q}(N_m(R), \mathrm{Gr}^p(M)) \implies \mathrm{HH}^{p+q}(N_m(R), M)$$

for the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded  $N_m(R)$ -bimodules  $M = N_m(R)$  or  $M_m(R)/N_m(R)$ , which collapses from the  $E_2$ -page.

We can choose an  $R$ -basis  $\{E_{i,j} \mid 1 \leq i, j \leq m\}$  of  $M_m(R)$ . Set

$$M_r = \bigoplus_{j-i=r} R\{E_{i,j}\}.$$

Then  $M_m(R) = \bigoplus_{r \in \mathbb{Z}} M_r$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded associative algebra over  $R$ . Note that  $N_m(R)$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded subalgebra of  $M_m(R)$ . We also see that  $M_m(R)/N_m(R)$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded  $N_m(R)$ -bimodule.

Let  $M = N_m(R)$  or  $M = M_m(R)/N_m(R)$ . Recall  $J = \bigoplus_{r>0} M_r$  in Step 1. For  $N_m(R)$ -bimodule  $M$  over  $R$ , set

$$F^p M = \sum_{a+b=p+(m-1)} J^a M J^b.$$

Then we have a filtration of  $N_m(R)$ -bimodules

$$M = F^{-(m-1)} M \supset F^{-(m-2)} M \supset \dots \supset F^{m-1} M \supset F^m M = 0$$

over  $R$ .

Let  $\{C^*(N_m(R), M)\}$  be the bar complex with coefficients in  $M$ . From the filtration  $\{F^p M\}$ , we obtain a filtration  $\{C^*(N_m(R), F^p M)\}$  on  $C^*(N_m(R), M)$ . By a standard discussion, we obtain a spectral sequence (for details, see [3, Theorem 2.6]).

**Theorem 7.** *There is a spectral sequence of  $R$ -modules*

$$E_1^{p,q}(N_m(R), M) \implies \mathrm{HH}^{p+q}(N_m(R), M),$$

where

$$E_1^{p,q}(N_m(R), M) \cong \mathrm{HH}^{p+q}(N_m(R), F^p M / F^{p+1} M).$$

For a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded  $N_m(R)$ -bimodule  $M = N_m(R)$  or  $M_m(R)/N_m(R)$  over  $R$ , we can define a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -grading on  $C^p(N_m(R), M)$  by the isomorphism

$$\begin{aligned} C^p(N_m(R), M) &\cong \mathrm{Hom}_R(N_m(R)^{\otimes p}, M) \\ &\cong (N_m(R)^*)^{\otimes p} \otimes_R M, \end{aligned}$$

where  $N_m(R)^* = \mathrm{Hom}_R(N_m(R), R)$ . We denote by  $C^{p,s}(N_m(R), M)$  the degree  $s$  part of  $C^p(N_m(R), M)$ . For example,

$$E_{1,3} \in C^{0,-2}(N_m(R), M), \quad E_{1,2}^* \otimes E_{1,4}^* \otimes E_{1,2} \in C^{2,3}(N_m(R), M),$$

where  $\{I_m^*\} \cup \{E_{i,j}^* \mid i < j\}$  is the dual basis of  $N_m(R)^*$  with respect to the  $R$ -basis  $\{I_m\} \cup \{E_{i,j} \mid i < j\}$  of  $N_m(R)$ .

The differential  $d : C^p(N_m(R), M) \rightarrow C^{p+1}(N_m(R), M)$  preserves the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -grading. Hence,  $\{C^{*,s}(N_m(R), M)\}$  becomes a subcomplex of  $\{C^*(N_m(R), M)\}$ . We set  $\mathrm{HH}^{n,s}(N_m(R), M) = H^n(C^{*,s}(N_m(R), M))$ .

The filtration  $F^p M$  is compatible with the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -grading. Put  $(F^p M)^s = F^p M \cap M^s$ . By the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -grading, we have the degree  $s$  component of the spectral sequence  $\{E_r^{p,q}(N_m(R), M), d_r\}_{r \geq 1}$ :

$$E_1^{p,q,s}(N_m(R), M) \implies \mathrm{HH}^{p+q,s}(N_m(R), M),$$

where  $E_1^{p,q,s}(N_m(R), M) \cong \mathrm{HH}^{p+q,s}(N_m(R), F^p M / F^{p+1} M)$ ,  $d_r^s : E_r^{p,q,s}(N_m(R), M) \rightarrow E_r^{p+r,q-r+1,s}(N_m(R), M)$ ,  $E_r^{p,q}(N_m(R), M) = \bigoplus_{s \in \mathbb{Z}} E_r^{p,q,s}(N_m(R), M)$ , and  $d_r = \bigoplus_{s \in \mathbb{Z}} d_r^s$ .

**Proposition 8.** *When  $M = N_m(R)$  or  $M_m(R)/N_m(R)$ ,*

$$E_1^{p,q,s}(N_m(R), M) = 0$$

if  $s \neq q$ .

We omit the proof of Proposition 8. For details, see [2].

By Proposition 8, we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 9.** *When  $M = N_m(R)$  or  $M_m(R)/N_m(R)$ , the spectral sequence*

$$E_1^{p,q}(N_m(R), M) \implies \mathrm{HH}^*(N_m(R), M)$$

*collapses from  $E_2$ -page and there is no extension problem.*

### 5. STEP 3

By Step 2, we only need to calculate  $E_2^{p,q}(N_m(R), M)$  for determining the  $R$ -module structure of  $\mathrm{HH}^*(N_m(R), M)$  when  $M = N_m(R)$  or  $M_m(R)/N_m(R)$ .

Since  $F^p M/F^{p+1} M$  is isomorphic to the direct sum of  $R$  as  $N_m(R)$ -bimodules over  $R$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} E_1^{p,q}(N_m(R), M) &\cong \mathrm{HH}^{p+q}(N_m(R), F^p M/F^{p+1} M) \\ &\cong \mathrm{HH}^{p+q}(N_m(R), R) \otimes_R (F^p M/F^{p+1} M) \\ &\cong N_m(R)_{p+q}^! \otimes_R (F^p M/F^{p+1} M) \end{aligned}$$

by Step 1.

The differential  $d_1 : E_1^{p,q}(N_m(R), M) \rightarrow E_1^{p+1,q}(N_m(R), M)$  can be identified with the connecting homomorphism

$$\mathrm{HH}^{p+q}(N_m(R), F^p M/F^{p+1} M) \rightarrow \mathrm{HH}^{p+q+1}(N_m(R), F^{p+1} M/F^{p+2} M)$$

induced by

$$0 \rightarrow F^{p+1} M/F^{p+2} M \rightarrow F^p M/F^{p+2} M \rightarrow F^p M/F^{p+1} M \rightarrow 0.$$

The connecting homomorphism can be described explicitly.

Recall  $\varphi(d) = \mathrm{rank}_R N_m(R)_d^!$ . The following propositions can be proved by long discussions. For details, see [2].

**Proposition 10.** *Let  $m \geq 3$ . For  $p \neq 0$ ,  $E_2^{p,q}(N_m(R), M_m(R)/N_m(R)) = 0$ . For  $p = 0$ ,  $E_2^{0,q}(N_m(R), M_m(R)/N_m(R))$  is a free  $R$ -module of rank*

$$(m-1)\varphi(q) + \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} (-1)^{m+k} k\varphi(q-m+k).$$

**Proposition 11.** For  $p \neq 0, 1, m-1$ ,  $E_2^{p,q}(\mathbb{N}_m(R), \mathbb{N}_m(R)) = 0$ . For  $p = 0, 1, m-1$ ,  $E_2^{p,q}(\mathbb{N}_m(R), \mathbb{N}_m(R))$  is a free  $R$ -module. The rank of  $E_2^{p,q}(\mathbb{N}_m(R), \mathbb{N}_m(R))$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rank}_R E_2^{0,q} &= \begin{cases} 1 & (q = 0) \\ 0 & (q \neq 0), \end{cases} \\ \text{rank}_R E_2^{1,q} &= \begin{cases} m-1 & (q = 0) \\ (m-2)\varphi(q) & (q \neq 0), \end{cases} \\ \text{rank}_R E_2^{m-1,q} &= (-1)^m \varphi(q) + \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} (-1)^k (k+1) \varphi(q+m-k-1). \end{aligned}$$

Since there is no extension problem, we can determine the  $R$ -module structure of  $\text{HH}^*(\mathbb{N}_m(R), \mathbb{N}_m(R))$  and  $\text{HH}^*(\mathbb{N}_m(R), M_m(R)/\mathbb{N}_m(R))$  (Theorems 1 and 2). Hence, we have proved our main theorem except for the product structure on  $\text{HH}^*(\mathbb{N}_m(R), \mathbb{N}_m(R))$ .

## 6. STEP 4

In this section, we determine the product structure on  $E_\infty^{p,q}$  for  $M = \mathbb{N}_m(R)$ .

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an abelian symmetric monoidal category in which the tensor product  $\otimes : \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is right exact separately in each variable.

**Definition 12.** Let  $(A^*, d)$  be a differential graded algebra in  $\mathcal{A}$ . Suppose that we have a filtration

$$A^* = F^0 A^* \supset F^1 A^* \supset \cdots \supset F^n A^* \supset \cdots \supset F^t A^* = 0.$$

A triple  $(A^*, d, \{F^r A^*\}_{r \geq 0})$  is said to be a filtered differential graded algebra if it satisfies the following two conditions:

- (1) For any  $n \geq 0$ ,  $d(F^n A^*) \subset F^n A^*$ .
- (2) For any  $r, s \geq 0$ ,  $F^r A^* \cdot F^s A^* \subset F^{r+s} A^*$ .

Let  $(A^*, d, \{F^r A^*\}_{r \geq 0})$  be a filtered differential graded algebra. By [3, Theorem 2.14], there is a spectral sequence

$$E_1^{p,q} = H^{p+q}(F^p A / F^{p+1} A) \implies H^{p+q}(A)$$

of algebras in  $\mathcal{A}$ , which converges to  $H^{p+q}(A)$  as an algebra.

Recall the decomposition

$$C^p(\mathbb{N}_m(R), \mathbb{N}_m(R)) = \bigoplus_{s \in \mathbb{Z}} C^{p,s}(\mathbb{N}_m(R), \mathbb{N}_m(R))$$

as a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded  $R$ -module, which is compatible with the filtration  $F^r C^*(\mathbb{N}_m(R), \mathbb{N}_m(R)) = C^*(\mathbb{N}_m(R), F^r \mathbb{N}_m(R))$ . Then the triple  $(C^*(\mathbb{N}_m(R), \mathbb{N}_m(R)), d, \{F^r C^*(\mathbb{N}_m(R), \mathbb{N}_m(R))\}_{r \geq 0})$  is a filtered differential graded algebra in the category of  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded  $R$ -modules.

Thus, we obtain a multiplicative spectral sequence

$$E_1^{p,q}(\mathbb{N}_m(R), \mathbb{N}_m(R)) \implies \text{HH}^{p+q}(\mathbb{N}_m(R), \mathbb{N}_m(R))$$

in the abelian category of  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded  $R$ -modules.

In the case  $m = 3$ , we can determine the product structure on  $E_\infty^{p,q}$  and  $\mathrm{HH}^*(N_3(R), N_3(R))$  directly. Here we assume that  $m \geq 4$ . The following lemma is essential for determining the product structure on  $\mathrm{HH}^*(N_m(R), N_m(R))$ .

**Lemma 13.** *For  $m \geq 4$ , let  $a \in \mathrm{HH}^{1+q,q}(N_m(R), N_m(R))$  and  $b \in \mathrm{HH}^{1+q',q'}(N_m(R), N_m(R))$  represented by  $x \in E_\infty^{1,q,q}$  and  $y \in E_\infty^{1,q',q'}$ , respectively. Then we obtain  $ab = 0$  in  $\mathrm{HH}^{2+q+q',q+q'}(N_m(R), N_m(R))$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $E_2^{2,q+q',q+q'} = 0$  for  $m \geq 4$  by Proposition 11,  $E_\infty^{2,q+q',q+q'} = 0$ . Hence  $xy = 0$ , which implies that  $ab$  is represented by an element in  $E_\infty^{m-1,q+q'-m+3,q+q'}$ . By Proposition 8, if  $m \geq 4$ , then  $E_\infty^{m-1,q+q'-m+3,q+q'} = E_1^{m-1,q+q'-m+3,q+q'} = 0$ . Therefore  $ab = 0$ .  $\square$

By Lemma 13, we can prove Theorem 3. For details, see [2].

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