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SINGULAR HOCHSCHILD COHOMOLOGY VIA THE SINGULARITY CATEGORY

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ABSTRACT. We show that the singular Hochschild cohomology (=Tate–Hochschild cohomology) of an algebra A is isomorphic, as a graded algebra, to the Hochschild cohomology of the differential graded enhancement of the singularity category of A . The existence of such an isomorphism is suggested by recent work of Zhengfang Wang.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let k be a commutative ring. We write \otimes for \otimes_k . Let A be a right noetherian (non commutative) k -algebra projective over k . The *stable derived category* or *singularity category* of A is defined as the Verdier quotient

$$\mathrm{Sg}(A) = \mathcal{D}^b(\mathrm{mod} A) / \mathrm{per}(A)$$

of the bounded derived category of finitely generated (right) A -modules by the *perfect derived category* $\mathrm{per}(A)$, i.e. the full subcategory of complexes quasi-isomorphic to bounded complexes of finitely generated projective modules. It was introduced by Buchweitz in an unpublished manuscript [4] in 1986 and rediscovered, in its scheme-theoretic variant, by Orlov in 2003 [24]. Notice that it vanishes when A is of finite global dimension and thus measures the degree to which A is ‘singular’, a view confirmed by the results of [24].

Let us suppose that the enveloping algebra $A^e = A \otimes A^{\mathrm{op}}$ is also right noetherian. In analogy with Hochschild cohomology, in view of Buchweitz’ theory, it is natural to define the *Tate–Hochschild cohomology* or *singular Hochschild cohomology* of A to be the graded algebra with components

$$HH_{\mathrm{sg}}^n(A, A) = \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathrm{Sg}(A^e)}(A, \Sigma^n A), \quad n \in \mathbb{Z},$$

where Σ denotes the suspension (=shift) functor. It was studied for example in [10, 2, 23] and more recently in [31, 32, 30, 33, 29, 5]. Wang showed in [31] that, like Hochschild cohomology [11], singular Hochschild cohomology carries a structure of Gerstenhaber algebra. Now recall that the Gerstenhaber algebra structure on Hochschild cohomology is a small part of much richer higher structure on the Hochschild cochain complex $C(A, A)$ itself, namely the structure of a B_∞ -algebra in the sense of Getzler–Jones [12, 5.2] given by the brace operations [1, 16]. In [29], Wang improves on [31] by defining a singular Hochschild cochain complex $C_{\mathrm{sg}}(A, A)$ and endowing it with a B_∞ -structure which in particular yields the Gerstenhaber algebra structure on $HH_{\mathrm{sg}}^*(A, A)$.

Using [17] Lowen–Van den Bergh showed in [21, Theorem 4.4.1] that the Hochschild cohomology of A is isomorphic to the Hochschild cohomology of the canonical differential graded (=dg) enhancement of the (bounded or unbounded) derived category of A and that the isomorphism lifts to the B_∞ -level (cf. Corollary 7.6 of [26] for a related statement). Together with the complete structural analogy between Hochschild and singular

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Hochschild cohomology described above, this suggests the question whether the singular Hochschild cohomology of A is isomorphic to the Hochschild cohomology of the canonical dg enhancement $\mathbf{Sg}_{dg}(A)$ of the singularity category $\mathbf{Sg}(A)$ (note that such an enhancement exists by the construction of $\mathbf{Sg}(A)$ as a Verdier quotient [19, 6]). Chen–Li–Wang show in [5] that this does hold at the level of Gerstenhaber algebras when A is the radical square zero algebra associated with a finite quiver without sources or sinks. Our main result is the following.

Theorem 1.1. *There is a canonical isomorphism of graded algebras between the singular Hochschild cohomology of A and the Hochschild cohomology of the dg singularity category $\mathbf{Sg}_{dg}(A)$.*

Conjecture 1.2. *The isomorphism of the theorem lifts to an isomorphism*

$$C_{sg}(A, A) \xrightarrow{\sim} C(\mathbf{Sg}_{dg}(A), \mathbf{Sg}_{dg}(A))$$

in the homotopy category of B_∞ -algebras.

Notice that the B_∞ -structure on Hochschild cohomology of dg categories is preserved (up to quasi-isomorphism) under Morita equivalences, cf. [17].

Let us mention an application of Theorem 1.1 obtained in joint work with Zheng Hua. Suppose that k is algebraically closed of characteristic 0 and let P the power series algebra $k[[x_1, \dots, x_n]]$.

Theorem 1.3 ([15]). *Suppose that $Q \in P$ has an isolated singularity at the origin and $A = P/(Q)$. Then A is determined up to isomorphism by its dimension and the dg singularity category $\mathbf{Sg}_{dg}(A)$.*

In [8, Theorem 8.1], Efimov proves a related but different reconstruction theorem: He shows that if Q is a polynomial, it is determined, up to a formal change of variables, by the differential $\mathbb{Z}/2$ -graded endomorphism algebra E of the residue field in the differential $\mathbb{Z}/2$ -graded singularity category together with a fixed isomorphism between H^*B and the exterior algebra $\Lambda(k^n)$.

In section 2, we generalize Theorem 1.1 to the non noetherian setting and prove the generalized statement. We comment on a possible lift of this proof to the B_∞ -level in section 3. We prove Theorem 1.3 in section 4.

2. GENERALIZATION AND PROOF

2.1. Generalization to the non noetherian case. We assume that A is an arbitrary k -algebra projective as a k -module. Its singularity category $\mathbf{Sg}(A)$ is defined as the Verdier quotient $\mathcal{H}^{-,b}(\mathbf{proj} A)/\mathcal{H}^b(\mathbf{proj} A)$ of the homotopy category of right bounded complexes of finitely generated projective A -modules by its full subcategory of bounded complexes of finitely generated projective A -modules. Notice that when A is right noetherian, this is equivalent to the definition given in the introduction.

The (partially) *completed singularity category* $\widehat{\mathbf{Sg}}(A)$ is defined as the Verdier quotient of the bounded derived category $\mathcal{D}^b(\mathbf{Mod} A)$ of all right A -modules by its full subcategory consisting of all complexes quasi-isomorphic to bounded complexes of arbitrary projective modules.

Lemma 2.2. *The canonical functor $\mathbf{Sg}(A) \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbf{Sg}}(A)$ is fully faithful.*

Proof. Let M be a right bounded complex of finitely generated projective modules with bounded homology and P a bounded complex of arbitrary projective modules. Since the components of M are finitely generated, each morphism $M \rightarrow P$ in the derived category

factors through a bounded complex P' with finitely generated projective components. This yields the claim. \checkmark

Since we do not assume that A^e is noetherian, the A -bimodule A will not, in general, belong to the singularity category $\mathbf{Sg}(A^e)$. But it always belongs to the completed singularity category $\widehat{\mathbf{Sg}}(A^e)$. We define the singular Hochschild cohomology of A to be the graded algebra with components

$$HH_{sg}^n(A, A) = \mathrm{Hom}_{\widehat{\mathbf{Sg}}(A^e)}(A, \Sigma^n A), \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Theorem 2.3. *Even if A^e is non noetherian, there is a canonical isomorphism of graded algebras between the singular Hochschild cohomology of A and the Hochschild cohomology of the dg singularity category $\mathbf{Sg}_{dg}(A)$.*

Let P be a right bounded complex of projective A^e -modules. For $q \in \mathbb{Z}$, let $\sigma_{>q}P$ and $\sigma_{\leq q}P$ denote its stupid truncations:

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{>q}P : \dots \longrightarrow 0 \longrightarrow P^{q+1} \longrightarrow P^{q+1} \longrightarrow \dots \\ \sigma_{\leq q}P : \dots \longrightarrow P^{q-1} \longrightarrow P^q \longrightarrow 0 \longrightarrow \dots \end{aligned}$$

so that we have a triangle

$$\sigma_{>q}P \longrightarrow P \longrightarrow \sigma_{\leq q}P \longrightarrow \Sigma \sigma_{>q}P.$$

We have a direct system

$$P = \sigma_{\leq 0}P \longrightarrow \sigma_{\leq -1}P \longrightarrow \sigma_{\leq -2}P \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow P_{\leq q} \longrightarrow \dots$$

Lemma 2.4. *Let $L \in \mathcal{D}^b(\mathrm{Mod} A^e)$. We have a canonical isomorphism*

$$\mathrm{colim} \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}A^e}(L, \sigma_{\leq q}P) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathrm{Hom}_{\widehat{\mathbf{Sg}}(A^e)}(L, P).$$

In particular, if P is a projective resolution of A over A^e , we have

$$\mathrm{colim} \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}A^e}(A, \Sigma^n \sigma_{\leq q}P) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathrm{Hom}_{\widehat{\mathbf{Sg}}(A^e)}(A, \Sigma^n A), \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Proof. Clearly, if Q is a bounded complex of projective modules, each morphism $Q \rightarrow P$ in the derived category $\mathcal{D}A^e$ factors through $\sigma_{>q}P \rightarrow P$ for some $q \ll 0$. This shows that the morphisms $P \rightarrow \sigma_{\leq q}P$ form a cofinal subcategory in the category of morphisms $P \rightarrow P'$ whose cylinder is a bounded complex of projective modules. Whence the claim. \checkmark

2.5. Proof of Theorem 2.3. We refer to [18, 20, 27] for foundational material on dg categories. We will follow the terminology of [20] and use the model category structure on the category of dg categories constructed in [25]. For a dg category \mathcal{A} , denote by $X \mapsto Y(X)$ the dg Yoneda functor and by $\mathcal{D}\mathcal{A}$ the derived category. We write \mathcal{A}^e for the enveloping dg category $\mathcal{A} \overset{L}{\otimes}_k \mathcal{A}^{op}$ and $I_{\mathcal{A}}$ for the *identity bimodule*

$$I_{\mathcal{A}} : (X, Y) \mapsto \mathcal{A}(X, Y).$$

By definition, the Hochschild cohomology of \mathcal{A} is the graded endomorphism algebra of $I_{\mathcal{A}}$ in the derived category $D(\mathcal{A}^e)$. In the case of the algebra A , the identity bimodule is the A -bimodule A . Recall that if $F : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ is a fully faithful dg functor, the restriction $F_* : \mathcal{D}\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}\mathcal{A}$ is a localization functor admitting fully faithful left and right adjoint functors F^* and $F^!$ given respectively by

$$F^* : M \mapsto M \overset{L}{\otimes}_{\mathcal{A}} {}_F\mathcal{B} \quad \text{and} \quad F^! : N \mapsto \mathrm{RHom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\mathcal{B}_F, N),$$

where ${}_F\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{B}(?, F-)$ and $\mathcal{B}_F = \mathcal{B}(F?, -)$.

Let $\mathcal{M}_0 = \mathcal{C}_{dg}^{-,b}(\text{proj } A)$ denote the dg category of right bounded complexes of finitely generated projective A -modules with bounded homology. Notice that the morphism complexes of \mathcal{M}_0 have terms which involve infinite products of projective A -modules so that in general, the morphism complexes of \mathcal{M}_0 will not be cofibrant over k . Let $\mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_0$ be a cofibrant resolution of \mathcal{M}_0 . We assume, as we may, that the quasi-equivalence $\mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_0$ is the identity on objects. Notice that the morphism complexes of \mathcal{M} are cofibrant over k so that we have $\mathcal{M} \overset{L}{\otimes}_k \mathcal{M}^{op} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{M}^{op}$. Let $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{M}$ be the full dg subcategory of \mathcal{M} formed by the bounded complexes of finitely generated projective A -modules. Let \mathcal{S} denote the dg quotient \mathcal{M}/\mathcal{P} . We assume, as we may, that \mathcal{S} is cofibrant. In the homotopy category of dg categories, we have an isomorphism between $\text{Sg}_{dg}(A)$ and $\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{M}/\mathcal{P}$. Let B be the dg endomorphism algebra of A considered as an object of $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{M}$. Notice that we have a quasi-isomorphism $B \rightarrow A$ and that both B and A are cofibrant over k . We view B as a dg category with one object whose endomorphism algebra is B . We have the obvious inclusion and projection dg functors

$$B \xrightarrow{i} \mathcal{M} \xrightarrow{p} \mathcal{S}.$$

Consider the fully faithful dg functors

$$B \otimes B^{op} \xrightarrow{1 \otimes i} B \otimes \mathcal{M}^{op} \xrightarrow{i \otimes 1} \mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{M}^{op}.$$

The restriction along $G = 1 \otimes i$ admits the left adjoint G^* given by

$$G^* : X \mapsto \mathcal{M}_i \overset{L}{\otimes}_B X,$$

and the restriction along $F = i \otimes 1$ admits the fully faithful left and right adjoints F^* and $F^!$ given by

$$F^* : Y \mapsto Y \overset{L}{\otimes}_B i\mathcal{M} \quad \text{and} \quad F^! : Y \mapsto \text{RHom}_B(\mathcal{M}_i, Y).$$

Since F^* and $F^!$ are the two adjoints of a localization functor, we have a canonical morphism $F^* \rightarrow F^!$.

Lemma 2.6. *If P is an arbitrary sum of copies of B^e , the morphism*

$$F^*G^*(P) \rightarrow F^!G^*(P)$$

is invertible.

Proof. Let P be the direct sum of copies of B^e indexed by a set J . Since F^* and G^* commute with (arbitrary) coproducts, the left hand side is the dg module

$$\bigoplus_J \mathcal{M}(i?, -) \overset{L}{\otimes}_B (B \otimes B) \overset{L}{\otimes}_B \mathcal{M}(?, i-) = \bigoplus_J \mathcal{M}(B, -) \otimes \mathcal{M}(?, B),$$

The right hand side is the dg module

$$\text{RHom}_B(\mathcal{M}_i, \mathcal{M}_i \overset{L}{\otimes}_B (\bigoplus_J B \otimes B)) = \text{RHom}_B(\mathcal{M}_i, \bigoplus_J \mathcal{M}(B, -) \otimes B).$$

Let us evaluate the canonical morphism at $(M, L) \in \mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{M}^{op}$. We find the canonical morphism

$$\bigoplus_J \mathcal{M}(B, L) \otimes \mathcal{M}(M, B) \rightarrow \text{RHom}_B(\mathcal{M}(B, M), \bigoplus_j \mathcal{M}(B, L) \otimes B).$$

We have quasi-isomorphisms

$$\mathcal{M}(B, L) \otimes \mathcal{M}(M, B) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_0(A, L) \otimes \mathcal{M}(M, B) \rightarrow L \otimes \mathcal{M}(M, B) \rightarrow L \otimes \text{Hom}_A(M, A)$$

because $\mathcal{M}(M, B)$ and L are cofibrant over k . Now the equivalence $\mathcal{D}(B) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{D}(A)$ takes $\mathcal{M}(B, L) \otimes B$ to $\mathcal{M}(B, L) \otimes A \xrightarrow{\sim} L \otimes A$. We have an quasi-isomorphism of dg B -modules $\mathcal{M}(B, M) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{M}_0(A, M) = M$ and so the equivalence $\mathcal{D}(B) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{D}(A)$ takes $\mathcal{M}(B, M)$ to M . Whence an isomorphism

$$\mathrm{RHom}_B(\mathcal{M}(B, M), \bigoplus_J \mathcal{M}(B, L) \otimes B) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathrm{RHom}_A(M, \bigoplus_J L \otimes A) = \mathrm{Hom}_A(M, \bigoplus_J L \otimes A).$$

Thus, we have to show that the canonical morphism

$$\bigoplus_J L \otimes \mathrm{Hom}_A(M, A) \rightarrow \mathrm{Hom}_A(M, \bigoplus_J L \otimes A)$$

is a quasi-isomorphism. Recall that L and M are right bounded complexes of finitely generated projective modules with bounded homology. We fix M and consider the morphism as a morphism of triangle functors with argument $L \in \mathcal{D}^b(\mathrm{Mod} A)$. Then we are reduced to the case where L is in $\mathrm{Mod} A$. In this case, the morphism becomes an isomorphism of complexes because the components of M are finitely generated projective. \checkmark

Let us put $H = F^! G^* : \mathcal{D}(B^e) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{M}^e)$. Let us compute the image of the identity bimodule B under H . We have

$$H(B) = F^!(\mathcal{M}_i \overset{L}{\otimes}_B B) = F^!(\mathcal{M}_i) = \mathrm{RHom}_B(\mathcal{M}_i, \mathcal{M}_i)$$

and when we evaluate at L, M in \mathcal{M} , we find

$$H(B)(L, M) = \mathrm{RHom}_B(\mathcal{M}(i^?, L), \mathcal{M}(i^?, M)) = \mathrm{RHom}_B(\mathcal{M}(B, L), \mathcal{M}(B, M)).$$

We have seen in the above proof that the equivalence $\mathcal{D}(B) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{D}(A)$ takes $\mathcal{M}(B, L)$ to L . Whence quasi-isomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} H(B)(L, M) &= \mathrm{RHom}_B(\mathcal{M}(B, L), \mathcal{M}(B, M)) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathrm{RHom}_A(L, M) = \mathrm{Hom}(L, M) \\ &\xleftarrow{\sim} \mathcal{M}(L, M). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the functor H takes the identity bimodule B to the identity bimodule $I_{\mathcal{M}}$. Since $F^!$ and G^* are fully faithful so is H . Denote by \mathcal{N} the image under the composition of H with $\mathcal{D}(A^e) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{D}(B^e)$ of the closure of $\mathrm{Proj} A^e$ under finite extensions. Then H yields a fully faithful functor

$$\widehat{\mathrm{Sg}}(A^e) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{M}^e)/\mathcal{N}$$

taking the bimodule A to the identity bimodule $I_{\mathcal{M}}$. Now notice that we have a Morita morphism of dg categories

$$\mathcal{S}^e \xleftarrow{\sim} \frac{\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{M}^{op}}{\mathcal{P} \otimes \mathcal{M}^{op} + \mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{P}^{op}}.$$

The functor $p^* : \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{M}^e) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^e)$ induces the quotient functor

$$\frac{\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{M}^{op})}{\mathcal{N}} \longrightarrow \frac{\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{M}^{op})}{\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{P} \otimes \mathcal{M}^{op} + \mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{P}^{op})} = \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^e).$$

Since $p : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$ is a localization, the image $p^*(I_{\mathcal{M}})$ is isomorphic to $I_{\mathcal{S}}$. It suffices to show that p^* induces bijections in the morphism spaces with target $I_{\mathcal{M}}$

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{M}^e)/\mathcal{N}}(?, I_{\mathcal{M}}) \longrightarrow \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^e)}(p^*(?), p^*(I_{\mathcal{M}})).$$

For this, it suffices to show that $I_{\mathcal{M}}$ is right orthogonal in $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{M}^e)/\mathcal{N}$ on the images under the Yoneda functor of the objects in $\mathcal{P} \otimes \mathcal{M}^{op} + \mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{P}^{op}$. To show that $I_{\mathcal{M}}$ is right orthogonal

on $Y(\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{P}^{op})$, it suffices to show that it is right orthogonal to an object $Y(M, B)$, $M \in \mathcal{M}$. Now a morphism in $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{M}^e)/\mathcal{N}$ is given by a diagram of $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{M}^e)$ representing a left fraction

$$Y(M, B) \longrightarrow I'_\mathcal{M} \longleftarrow I_\mathcal{M}$$

where the cone over $I_\mathcal{M} \rightarrow I'_\mathcal{M}$ lies in \mathcal{N} . For each object X of \mathcal{DM}^e , we have canonical isomorphisms

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{DM}^e}(Y(M, B), X) = H^0(X(M, B)) = \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{DM}}(Y(M), X(? , B)).$$

Thus, the given fraction corresponds to a diagram in $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{M})$ of the form

$$Y(M) \longrightarrow I'_\mathcal{M}(?, B) \longleftarrow I_\mathcal{M}(?, B) = \mathcal{M}(?, B) ,$$

where the cone over $I_\mathcal{M}(?, B) \rightarrow I'_\mathcal{M}(?, B)$ is the image under $\mathcal{DA} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{DB} \rightarrow \mathcal{DM}$ of a bounded complex with projective components. Thus, the object $I'_\mathcal{M}(?, B)$ is a direct factor of a finite extension of shifts of arbitrary coproducts B . Since $Y(M)$ is compact, the given morphism $Y(M) \rightarrow I'_\mathcal{M}(?, M)$ must then factor through $Y(Q)$ for an object Q of \mathcal{P} . This means that the given morphism $Y(M, B) \rightarrow I'_\mathcal{M}$ factors through $Y(Q, B)$, which lies in \mathcal{N} . Thus, the given fraction represents the zero morphism of $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{M}^e)/\mathcal{N}$, as was to be shown. The case of an object in $Y(\mathcal{P} \otimes \mathcal{M}^{op})$ is analogous. In summary, we have shown that the maps

$$\widehat{\mathrm{Sg}}(A^e)(A, \Sigma^n A) \xrightarrow{H} (\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{M}^e)/\mathcal{N})(I_\mathcal{M}, \Sigma^n I_\mathcal{M}) \xrightarrow{p^*} \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^e)(I_\mathcal{S}, \Sigma^n I_\mathcal{S})$$

are bijective, which implies the assertion on Hochschild cohomology.

3. REMARK ON A POSSIBLE LIFT TO THE B_∞ -LEVEL

Let $P \rightarrow A$ be a resolution of A by projective A - A -bimodules. Let us assume for simplicity that k is a field so that we can take $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}_0$ and $B = A$. The proof in section 2 produces in fact isomorphisms in the derived category of k -modules

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{colim} \mathrm{RHom}_{A^e}(A, \sigma_{\leq q} P) &\rightarrow \mathrm{colim} \mathrm{RHom}_{\mathcal{M}^e}(I_\mathcal{M}, H\sigma_{\leq q} P) \\ &\rightarrow \mathrm{colim} \mathrm{RHom}_{\mathcal{S}^e}(I_\mathcal{S}, p^* H\sigma_{\leq q} P) \\ &= \mathrm{RHom}_{\mathcal{S}^e}(I_\mathcal{S}, I_\mathcal{S}). \end{aligned}$$

For the bar resolution P , the truncation $\sigma_{\leq -q} P$ is canonically isomorphic to $\Sigma^q \Omega^q A$ so that the first complex carries a canonical B_∞ -structure constructed by Wang [29]. As explained in the introduction, it is classical that the last complex carries a canonical B_∞ -structure. It is not obvious to make the intermediate complexes explicit because the functor H , being a composition of a *right adjoint* with a left adjoint to a restriction functor, does not take cofibrant objects to cofibrant objects.

4. PROOF OF THEOREM 1.3

By the Weierstrass preparation theorem, we may assume that Q is a polynomial. Let $P_0 = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ and $S = P_0/(Q)$. Then S has isolated singularities but may have singularities other than the origin. Let \mathfrak{m} be the maximal ideal of P_0 generated by the x_i and let R be the localization of S at \mathfrak{m} . Now R is local with an isolated singularity at \mathfrak{m} and A is isomorphic to the completion \widehat{R} . By Theorem 3.2.7 of [14], in sufficiently high degrees r , the Hochschild cohomology of S is isomorphic to the homology in degree r of the complex

$$k[u] \otimes K(S, \partial_1 Q, \dots, \partial_n Q) ,$$

where u is of degree 2 and K denotes the Koszul complex. Now S is isomorphic to $K(P_0, Q)$ and so $K(S, \partial_1 Q, \dots, \partial_n Q)$ is isomorphic to

$$K(P_0, Q, \partial_1 Q, \dots, \partial_n Q).$$

Since Q has isolated singularities, the $\partial_i Q$ form a regular sequence in P_0 . So

$$K(P_0, Q, \partial_1 Q, \dots, \partial_n Q)$$

is quasi-isomorphic to $K(M, Q)$, where $M = P_0/(\partial_1 Q, \dots, \partial_n Q)$. Therefore, in high even degrees $2r$, the Hochschild cohomology of S is isomorphic to

$$T = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]/(Q, \partial_1 Q, \dots, \partial_n Q)$$

as an S -module. Since S and S^e are noetherian, this implies that the Hochschild cohomology of R in high even degrees is isomorphic to the localisation $T_{\mathfrak{m}}$. Since $R \otimes R$ is noetherian and Gorenstein (cf. Theorem 1.6 of [28]), by Theorem 6.3.4 of [4], the singular Hochschild cohomology of R coincides with Hochschild cohomology in sufficiently high degrees. By Theorem 1.1, the Hochschild cohomology of $\mathbf{Sg}_{dg}(R)$ is isomorphic to the singular Hochschild cohomology of R and thus isomorphic to $T_{\mathfrak{m}}$ in high even degrees. Since R is a hypersurface, the dg category $\mathbf{Sg}_{dg}(R)$ is isomorphic, in the homotopy category of dg categories, to the underlying differential \mathbb{Z} -graded category of the differential $\mathbb{Z}/2$ -graded category of matrix factorizations of Q , cf. [9], [24] and Theorem 2.49 of [3]. Thus, it is 2-periodic and so is its Hochschild cohomology. It follows that the zeroth Hochschild cohomology of $\mathbf{Sg}_{dg}(R)$ is isomorphic to $T_{\mathfrak{m}}$ as an algebra. The completion functor $? \otimes_R \widehat{R}$ yields an embedding $\mathbf{Sg}(R) \rightarrow \mathbf{Sg}(A)$ through which $\mathbf{Sg}(A)$ identifies with the idempotent completion of the triangulated category $\mathbf{Sg}(R)$, cf. Theorem 5.7 of [7]. Therefore, the corresponding dg functor $\mathbf{Sg}_{dg}(R) \rightarrow \mathbf{Sg}_{dg}(A)$ induces an equivalence in the derived categories and an isomorphism in Hochschild cohomology. So we find an isomorphism

$$HH^0(\mathbf{Sg}_{dg}(A), \mathbf{Sg}_{dg}(A)) \xrightarrow{\sim} T_{\mathfrak{m}}.$$

Since $Q \in k[x_1, \dots, x_n]_{\mathfrak{m}}$ has an isolated singularity at the origin, we have an isomorphism

$$T_{\mathfrak{m}} \xrightarrow{\sim} k[[x_1, \dots, x_n]]/(Q, \partial_1 Q, \dots, \partial_n Q)$$

with the Tyurina algebra of $A = P/(Q)$. Now by the Mather–Yau theorem [22], more precisely by its formal version [13, Prop. 2.1], in a fixed dimension, the Tyurina algebra determines A up to isomorphism.

Notice that the Hochschild cohomology of the dg category of matrix factorizations considered as a differential $\mathbb{Z}/2$ -graded category is different: As shown by Dyckerhoff [7], it is isomorphic to the Milnor algebra $P/(\partial_1 Q, \dots, \partial_n Q)$ in even degree and vanishes in odd degree.

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