

On a Conjecture of Goresky, Kottwitz and MacPherson

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Abstract. We settle a conjecture of Goresky, Kottwitz and MacPherson related to Koszul duality, *i.e.*, to the correspondence between differential graded modules over the exterior algebra and those over the symmetric algebra.

We show that a variant of Conjecture (13.9) in [GKM] holds whereas the original form of the conjecture does not. We assume that the reader is familiar with [GKM] and we apply the notation used therein.

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1 The Minimal Hirsch-Brown Model

We begin by recalling some results of [AP, Appendix B] concerning the so-called minimal Hirsch-Brown model of the Borel construction. We concentrate on the case where the connected, graded commutative algebra called R in [AP] is a polynomial ring S in finitely many variables ξ_i , $i = 1, \dots, r$ of even degrees $|\xi_i|$ over a field k .

Let $\tilde{K} = S \tilde{\otimes} K$ be a “twisted tensor product”, *i.e.*, K here is a graded k -vector space and \tilde{K} a differential graded S -module, which is equal to $S \otimes K$ as an S -module (disregarding the differential); in other words, \tilde{K} is a differential graded S -module, which is free as an S -module (the differential on S is trivial). The S -linear differential δ of $S \tilde{\otimes} K$ induces a k -linear differential $\delta_1 = \text{id}_k \otimes_S \delta$ on K , where k is considered an S -module via the standard augmentation $\epsilon: S \rightarrow k$. The differential graded S -module (\tilde{K}, δ) can be viewed as obtained from the differential graded k -module (K, δ_1) by “twisting” the differential of the usual tensor product $S \otimes K$ with respect to the “parameter space” S (*cf.* [AP]).

Proposition 1.1 *Let $\tilde{f}: \tilde{K} \rightarrow \tilde{L}$ be a morphism of twisted tensor products. Assume that \tilde{K} and \tilde{L} are bounded from below. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (\tilde{a}) \tilde{f} is a homotopy equivalence in the category $\delta gS\text{-Mod}$ of differential graded S -modules
- (\tilde{b}) $H(\tilde{f})$ is an isomorphism
- (a) $f := \text{id}_k \otimes_S \tilde{f}: k \otimes_S (S \tilde{\otimes} K) \cong K \rightarrow L \cong k \otimes_S (S \tilde{\otimes} L)$ is a homotopy equivalence in the category $\delta gk\text{-Mod}$ of differential graded k -modules
- (b) $H(f)$ is an isomorphism.

For the proof of this proposition *cf.* [AP, (B.2)], in particular (B.2.1) and (B.2.2).

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Since the differential $\tilde{\delta}$ of a twisted tensor product $\tilde{K} = S \tilde{\otimes} K$ is S -linear, it is determined by the k -linear restriction $\tilde{\delta}|_K: K \cong 1 \otimes K \subset S \tilde{\otimes} K \rightarrow S \tilde{\otimes} K$.

The map $\tilde{\delta}|_K$ corresponds to a family of k -linear maps $\{\delta_s: K^q \rightarrow K^{q+1-|s|}, s = \xi_1^{n_1} \cdots \xi_r^{n_r}, |s| = \sum_{i=1}^r n_i |\xi_i|\}$, i.e., $\tilde{\delta}(1 \otimes x) = \tilde{\delta}|_K(x) = \sum_s s \otimes \delta_s(x)$ for $x \in K$, where the sum is taken over the set $\mathcal{M}(S)$ of all monomials in S .

The property $\tilde{\delta} \circ \tilde{\delta} \equiv 0$ corresponds to a family of relations

$$\sum_{s=s's''} \delta_{s'} \circ \delta_{s''} \equiv 0 \quad \text{for all } s \in \mathcal{M}(S),$$

where the sum for a fixed $s \in \mathcal{M}(S)$ is taken over all product decompositions of s into two factors, in particular

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_1 \circ \delta_1 &\equiv 0 & (1 \in \mathcal{M}(S)) \\ \delta_1 \circ \delta_{\xi_i} + \delta_{\xi_i} \circ \delta_1 &\equiv 0 & (\xi_i \in \mathcal{M}(S)). \end{aligned}$$

Let $H(K)$ denote the homology of K with respect to the differential $\delta_1 = \text{id}_k \otimes_S \tilde{\delta}$.

Proposition 1.2 *Let $\tilde{K} = S \tilde{\otimes} K$ be a twisted tensor product, bounded from below. There exists a differential $\tilde{\delta}^H$ on $S \otimes H(K)$, which gives a twisted tensor product structure $S \tilde{\otimes} H(K)$, called minimal Hirsch-Brown model, such that $\text{id}_k \otimes_S \tilde{\delta}^H \equiv 0$, and $S \tilde{\otimes} K$ and $S \tilde{\otimes} H(K)$ are homotopy equivalent in $\delta gS\text{-Mod}$. By these properties $S \tilde{\otimes} H(K)$ is uniquely determined up to isomorphism in $\delta gS\text{-Mod}$.*

The differential $\tilde{\delta}^H$ can be given by

$$\tilde{\delta}^H(1 \otimes [x]) = \sum_{i=1}^r \xi_i \otimes [\delta_{\xi_i}(x)] + \sum_{\ell(s) \geq 2} s \otimes \delta_s^H[x]$$

where $[\]$ denotes the class in $H(K)$ of a cycle in K with respect to the differential δ_1 ; $\ell(s)$ denotes the length of $s \in \mathcal{M}(S)$ as a product.

The proof of Proposition 1.2 is essentially given in [AP, pp. 451–454], in particular (B.2.4), Exercise (B.7).

The Exercise (B.7), i.e., the uniqueness of the minimal Hirsch-Brown model up to isomorphism, is easily proved using the fact that the functor $k \otimes_S -: \delta gS\text{-Mod} \rightarrow \delta gk\text{-Mod}$ preserves homotopies, and that a morphism $\tilde{f}: S \tilde{\otimes} K \rightarrow S \tilde{\otimes} L$ is an isomorphism if (and only if) $f := \text{id}_k \otimes_S \tilde{f}: K \rightarrow L$ is an isomorphism (cf. [AP, (A.7.3)]). In [AP] the above expression for $\tilde{\delta}^H(1 \otimes [x])$ is verified only in case $r = 1$, but the argument for the general case is analogous.

Remark 1.3 The differential $\tilde{\delta}^H$ of $S \tilde{\otimes} H(K)$ corresponds to a family of “cohomology operations”

$$\{\delta_s^H: H^q(K) \rightarrow H^{q+1-|s|}(K), s \in \mathcal{M}(S)\}.$$

The property $\tilde{\delta}^H \circ \tilde{\delta}^H \equiv 0$ corresponds to

$$\sum_{s=s's''} \delta_{s'}^H \circ \delta_{s''}^H = 0 \quad \text{for all } s \in \mathcal{M}(S).$$

Since $\delta_1^H \equiv 0$ one has in particular

$$\delta_{\xi_i}^H \circ \delta_{\xi_j}^H + \delta_{\xi_j}^H \circ \delta_{\xi_i}^H \equiv 0 \quad \text{for } i, j = 1 \dots r.$$

Since the minimal Hirsch-Brown model is only unique up to isomorphism in $\delta gS\text{-Mod}$, the family of cohomology operations $\{\delta_s^H, s \in \mathcal{M}(S)\}$ is only unique up to the corresponding equivalence. Clearly $H(K)$ together with $\{\delta_s^H, s \in \mathcal{M}(S)\}$ determine $S \tilde{\otimes} H(K)$ up to isomorphism in $\delta gS\text{-Mod}$ and hence, by Proposition 1.2, $S \tilde{\otimes} K$ up to homotopy equivalence.

We can now apply the above results to obtain a variant of Conjecture (13.9) in [GKM]. Using the notation of [GKM], let $N \in D_+(\Lambda_\bullet)$, where $D_+(\Lambda_\bullet)$ is the derived (with respect to quasi-isomorphism) category of the homotopy category of differential graded Λ_\bullet -modules, which are bounded from below; Λ_\bullet is the exterior algebra on a graded vector space $P = \bigoplus_{j>0} P_j$ with $P_{2j} = 0$ for all j .

By the Koszul duality theorem (8.4) in [GKM] there are equivalences of categories $t: D_+(\Lambda_\bullet) \rightarrow D_+(S)$, $h: D_+(S) \rightarrow D_+(\Lambda_\bullet)$ which are quasi-inverse to each other; $D_+(S)$ is the derived category of the homotopy category of differential graded S -modules, bounded from below.

In [GKM, (8.3)], $t(N)$ is defined as a twisted tensor product $S \tilde{\otimes} N$ with differential

$$d(s \otimes n) = s \otimes d_N n + \sum_{i=1}^r \xi_i s \otimes \lambda_i n$$

where $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r$ generate Λ_\bullet and ξ_1, \dots, ξ_r generate S .

By Proposition 1.2, $t(N)$ is equivalent to its minimal Hirsch-Brown model in $\delta gS\text{-Mod}$, which is in turn determined (up to isomorphism) by $H(N)$ and the family $\{\delta_s^H, s \in \mathcal{M}(S)\}$; in particular, $t(N) \cong S \tilde{\otimes} H(N)$ in $D_+(S)$. The maps $\delta_{\xi_i}^H: H(N) \rightarrow H(N)$, $i = 1, \dots, r$ coincide with the action induced by $\lambda_i: N \rightarrow N$ in cohomology. Since h is quasi-inverse to t , one has $N \cong h \circ t(N)$ in $D_+(\Lambda_\bullet)$. Hence one gets the following corollary.

Corollary 1.4 $N \in D_+(\Lambda_\bullet)$ is determined by $H(N)$ and $\{\delta_s^H, s \in \mathcal{M}(S)\}$.

Let $K_+^{\text{tr}}(S)$ denote the homotopy category of differential graded S -modules, which are bounded from below and free over S . Let M_1 and M_2 be objects in $K_+^{\text{tr}}(S)$. The group $\text{Hom}_{D_+(S)}(M_1, M_2)$ is defined as the direct limit of the system $\{\text{Hom}_{K_+(S)}(M'_1, M_2); f: M'_1 \rightarrow M_1 \text{ quasi-isomorphism in } K_+(S)\}$. For any M'_1 in $K_+(S)$ the map $\Theta: th(M'_1) \rightarrow M'_1$ (see [GKM, (16.6)]) is a quasi-isomorphism and $M''_1 := th(M'_1)$ is in $K_+^{\text{tr}}(S)$. Therefore the above limit can be restricted to the cofinal subsystem, where M'_1 is in $K_+^{\text{tr}}(S)$. By Proposition 1.1 any quasi-isomorphism in $K_+^{\text{tr}}(S)$ is an isomorphism in $K_+(S)$. Hence $\text{Hom}_{K_+(S)}(M'_1, M_2) \cong \text{Hom}_{K_+(S)}(M_1, M_2)$ and taking the direct limit gives:

$$\text{Hom}_{K_+^{\text{tr}}(S)}(M_1, M_2) \cong \text{Hom}_{D_+(S)}(M_1, M_2).$$

One therefore gets the following proposition.

Proposition 1.5 The canonical functor $i: K_+^{\text{tr}}(S) \rightarrow K_+(S)$ induces an equivalence of categories $\bar{i}: K_+^{\text{tr}}(S) \rightarrow D_+(S)$.

Let $H_+^{\text{fr}}(S)$ denote the homotopy category of differential graded S -modules, which are bounded from below, free over S and minimal in the sense that $\text{id}_k \otimes_S d_M \equiv 0$ for M in $H_+^{\text{fr}}(S)$. Then Proposition 1.2 implies that the canonical functor $m: H_+^{\text{fr}}(S) \rightarrow K_+^{\text{fr}}(S)$ is an equivalence. As a consequence one has

Corollary 1.6 *All functors in the following diagram are equivalences of triangulated categories.*

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} D_+(\Lambda_\bullet) & \xrightarrow{t'} & K_+^{\text{fr}}(S) & \xrightarrow{i} & D_+(S) \\ & & m \uparrow & & \\ & & H_+^{\text{fr}}(S) & & \end{array}$$

with $it' = t$.

Remark 1.7 Koszul duality can be viewed as an algebraic analogue of the following topological situation (cf. e.g. [tD, I.8], in particular (8.18)). Let hGTop be the homotopy category of G -spaces and G -maps, G a topological group, $\text{hG}^{\text{fr}}\text{Top}$ the full subcategory, whose objects are numerable free G -spaces; let hTop_{BG} the homotopy category of spaces and maps over BG and hFib_{BG} the full subcategory of numerable fibre bundles over BG . Let $i: \text{hG}^{\text{fr}}\text{Top} \rightarrow \text{hGTop}$ and $j: \text{hFib}_{\text{BG}} \rightarrow \text{hTop}_{\text{BG}}$ be the canonical inclusion functors. Define $t': \text{hGTop} \rightarrow \text{hFib}_{\text{BG}}$ by the Borel construction, i.e., $t'(X) := \{X \times_G EG \rightarrow \text{BG}\}$, and $h': \text{hTop}_{\text{BG}} \rightarrow \text{hG}^{\text{fr}}\text{Top}$ by $h'(\{Y \rightarrow \text{BG}\}) := Y \times_{\text{BG}} EG$, i.e., the total space of the principal G -bundle, classified by $\{Y \rightarrow \text{BG}\}$.

The composition $h' \circ j \circ t': \text{hGTop} \rightarrow \text{hG}^{\text{fr}}\text{Top}$ is equivalent to $\text{fr}: \text{hGTop} \rightarrow \text{hG}^{\text{fr}}\text{Top}$, where $\text{fr}(X) := X \times EG$ (with diagonal G -action), since

$$\begin{aligned} (X \times_G EG) \times_{\text{BG}} EG &\cong X \times EG \text{ as } G\text{-spaces} \\ ([x, e], ge) &\rightarrow (gx, ge), \quad ([x, e], e) \leftarrow (x, e). \end{aligned}$$

Since $\text{fr} \circ i$ is equivalent to the identity (for $X \in \text{hG}^{\text{fr}}\text{Top}$, $pr: X \times EG \rightarrow X$, $(x, e) \rightarrow x$ is an isomorphism in $\text{hG}^{\text{fr}}\text{Top}$) one gets that $h' \circ j \circ t' \circ i$ is equivalent to the identity on $\text{hG}^{\text{fr}}\text{Top}$. In a similar way one gets that $t' \circ i \circ h' \circ j$ is equivalent to the identity on hFib_{BG} . (Note that $\{Y \rightarrow \text{BG}\} \in \text{hFib}_{\text{BG}}$ is isomorphic to $\{(Y \times_{\text{BG}} EG) \times_G EG \rightarrow \text{BG}\}$ in hFib_{BG} : The G -map $(y, e) \rightarrow (y, e, e)$ from $(Y \times_{\text{BG}} EG)$ to $(Y \times_{\text{BG}} EG) \times EG$ induces a homotopy equivalence on the quotients,

$$\begin{aligned} Y &\cong (Y \times_{\text{BG}} EG)/G \rightarrow (Y \times_{\text{BG}} EG) \times_G EG, \\ y &\leftarrow [y, e] \rightarrow [(y, e), e] \end{aligned}$$

which is a map over BG ; and since $\{Y \rightarrow \text{BG}\}$ and $\{(Y \times_{\text{BG}} EG) \times_G EG \rightarrow \text{BG}\}$ fulfil the homotopy lifting property this map is even a homotopy equivalence over BG .)

If DGTop denotes the “derived” category of hGTop , obtained by inverting morphisms $\alpha: X_1 \rightarrow X_2$ such that $(h' \circ j \circ t')(\alpha)$ are isomorphisms in $\text{hG}^{\text{fr}}\text{Top}$ (which is equivalent

to α being the equivalence class of a G -map that is a homotopy equivalence in Top), then i induces an equivalence of categories $\bar{i}: \text{hG}^{\text{fr}} \text{Top} \rightarrow \text{DGTop}$.

Similarly, if DTop_{BG} denotes the “derived” category of hTop_{BG} obtained by inverting morphisms (over BG) $\beta: Y_1 \rightarrow Y_2$ such that $(t' \circ i \circ h')(\beta)$ are isomorphisms in hFib_{BG} (which is equivalent to β being the equivalence class of a map over BG that is a homotopy equivalence in Top), then j induces an equivalence of categories $\bar{j}: \text{hFib}_{\text{BG}} \rightarrow \text{DTop}_{\text{BG}}$.

Altogether one has the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \text{DGTop} & \longleftarrow & \text{hGTop} & \xrightarrow{t'} & \text{hFib}_{\text{BG}} \\
 & \searrow i & \uparrow i & & \downarrow j \\
 & & \text{hG}^{\text{fr}} \text{Top} & \xleftarrow{h'} & \text{hTop}_{\text{BG}} & \longrightarrow & \text{DTop}_{\text{BG}} \\
 & & & & & \nearrow j &
 \end{array}$$

The functors \bar{i}, \bar{j} are equivalences; $h' \circ j \circ t' \circ i$ and $t' \circ i \circ h' \circ j$ are equivalent to the respective identity functors: so $(t' \circ i)$ and $(h' \circ j)$ are quasi-inverse equivalences, which induce quasi-inverse equivalences

$$t: \text{DGTop} \rightarrow \text{DTop}_{\text{BG}} \quad \text{and} \quad h: \text{DTop}_{\text{BG}} \rightarrow \text{DGTop} .$$

Work of Eilenberg-Moore and many other mathematicians is concerned with translating the above (and more general topological) situation into an algebraic set up which can be related to Koszul duality (cf. [McC, Chapters 7 and 8] for a comprehensive presentation of this translation and for detailed references).

2 Examples

For $N \in D_+(\Lambda_\bullet)$ a family of “higher cohomology operations” $\{\lambda_s\}$ on $H^*(N)$ is defined in [GKM, Section 13]. They can be considered as the differentials which start at $E_n^{p,*}$ in the spectral sequence which converges to $H^*(tN)$ having $E_2^{*,*} \cong S \otimes H^*(N)$. This spectral sequence can be obtained by filtering $tN = S \tilde{\otimes} N$ according to degree in S , i.e., $\mathcal{F}^p(tN)$ is generated by elements $s \otimes n \in S \tilde{\otimes} N$ with $|s| \geq p$. Since $S \tilde{\otimes} N$ is homotopy equivalent to $S \tilde{\otimes} H(N)$ one obtains the same spectral sequence by filtering the latter complex in an analogous way.

Proposition 2.1

- (a) The family $\{\delta_s^H, s \in \mathcal{M}(S)\}$ determines the family $\{\lambda_s\}$.
- (b) $\{\delta_s^H, s \in \mathcal{M}(S)\}$ is trivial if and only if $\{\lambda_s\}$ is trivial.

Proof Part (a) is immediate since $\{\delta_s^H, s \in \mathcal{M}(S)\}$ determines the differential in $S \tilde{\otimes} H(N)$. For part (b) let

$$\bar{\delta}^H(1 \otimes [x]) = \sum_{|s|=\gamma} s \otimes \delta_s^H([x]) + \sum_{|s|>\gamma} s \otimes \delta_s^H([x])$$

for $[x] \in H(K)$. Then

$$d_n(1 \otimes [x]) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } n < \gamma \\ \sum_{|s|=\gamma} [s \otimes \delta_s^H([x])] & \text{for } n = \gamma, \end{cases}$$

with $1 \otimes [x] \in E_{\gamma}^{0,*} \subseteq \dots \subseteq E_2^{0,*}$, where $[s \otimes \delta_s^H([x])]$ denotes the equivalence class in $E_{\gamma}^{*,*}$, i.e., $\lambda_s([x]) = [\delta_s^H([x])]$ for $|s| = \gamma$, where $[\delta_s^H([x])]$ denotes the equivalence class in the appropriate quotient of $H(N)$, dividing out the indeterminacy of the cohomology operation. Hence part (b) follows. ■

Remarks 2.2

- (a) With the notation of Proposition 2.1, if $\delta_s^H([x]) \neq 0$ but $[\delta_s^H([x])] = 0$ then an operation $\lambda_{s'}$ with $|s'| > |s|$ may be defined on $[x]$, but may not be determined solely by $\tilde{\delta}^H(1 \otimes [x])$; the values of $\tilde{\delta}^H$ on other elements could play a role.
- (b) It follows from [CS] that in case $r = 1$, i.e., $\Lambda_{\bullet} = \Lambda(\lambda_1)$, $|\lambda_1| = 1$, all differentials in the above spectral sequence are determined by those starting from $E_n^{0,*}$, but this does not hold for $r > 1$.

Example 2.3 Let $r = 2$, $S = \mathbb{Q}[\xi_1, \xi_2]$, H a \mathbb{Q} -vector space with basis $\{a, b, u, v\}$; $|a| = 2$, $|b| = 4$, $|u| = |v| = 5$. We define two differentials on $S \otimes H$, i.e., two objects $M_1, M_2 \in D_+(S)$, such that the respective cohomology modules are not isomorphic, but the “higher cohomology operations” in the sense of [GKM, (13.8), (13.9)] coincide. Since, by Koszul duality, $M_i \in D_+(S)$ can be considered as $t(N_i)$ for $N_i \in D_+(\Lambda_{\bullet})$ and $H(N_i) = H$, this shows that N_i is not determined by the Λ_{\bullet} -module $H(N_i)$ and the collection of higher cohomology operations, in particular, Conjecture (13.9) in its original form, which states that the triangulated category $D_+(\Lambda_{\bullet})$ is equivalent to the category of graded Λ_{\bullet} -modules together with the collection of higher cohomology operations, does not hold.

The non-zero terms of the differential $\tilde{\delta}|_H$ are given by:

- (1) $\tilde{\delta}(1 \otimes u) = \xi_1 \otimes b$; $\tilde{\delta}(1 \otimes v) = \xi_2 \otimes b$ for M_1
- (2) $\tilde{\delta}(1 \otimes u) = \xi_1 \otimes b + \xi_1^2 \otimes a$; $\tilde{\delta}(1 \otimes v) = \xi_2 \otimes b + \xi_2^2 \otimes a$ for M_2 .

$H^*(M_1)$ and $H^*(M_2)$ are not isomorphic as graded S -modules, in particular M_1 and M_2 are not isomorphic in $\delta gS\text{-Mod}$. The differentials in the two spectral sequences which start from $E_n^{0,*}$ coincide, i.e., the only non-zero differentials of this kind are $d_2(1 \otimes u) = \xi_1 \otimes b$ and $d_2(1 \otimes v) = \xi_2 \otimes b$ in both cases. But for M_2 there is another non-zero differential, namely $d_4([\xi_2 \otimes u - \xi_1 \otimes v]) = [\xi_1^2 \xi_2 \otimes a - \xi_1 \xi_2^2 \otimes a]$. Note that while $M_1 = t(H)$ for an appropriate action of Λ_{\bullet} on H , it is not possible to get M_2 as $t(H)$ for H equipped with a graded Λ_{\bullet} -module structure.

Remark 2.4 In view of Corollary 1.6, the Conjecture (13.9) in [GKM] could be rephrased in the following way. Let SP^0 be the category which has as objects, graded k -vector spaces bounded from below, together with the operations in the sense of [GKM, (13.8) (13.9)] and as morphisms, degree preserving homomorphisms of graded k -vector spaces, which commute with the operations. Then the conjecture is equivalent to the statement: The functor $\sigma: K_+^{\text{tr}}(S) \rightarrow \text{SP}^0$, which assigns to each differential graded free S -module, $S \tilde{\otimes} N$, the $E_2^{0,*}$ -term of the spectral sequence obtained from the degree filtration on S , together with the differentials starting from $E_n^{0,*}$, considered as higher cohomology operations on $E_2^{0,*} \cong H^*(N)$, is an equivalence of triangulated categories.

Example 2.3 shows that the conjecture fails for $r > 1$ already because $\sigma(S \tilde{\otimes} N)$ does not completely determine the spectral sequence (nor the cohomology $H^*(S \tilde{\otimes} N)$). For

$r = 1$, though, it is true that $\sigma(S \tilde{\otimes} N)$ determines $S \tilde{\otimes} N$ (up to isomorphism in $K_+^{\text{tr}}(S)$). In fact, in this case:

- (i) $\sigma(S \tilde{\otimes} N)$ determines the spectral sequence completely (cf. Remark 2.2(b)),
- (ii) there is no extension problem in calculating $H^*(S \tilde{\otimes} N)$, as an S -module, from the E_∞ -term of the spectral sequence,
- (iii) $H^*(S \tilde{\otimes} N)$ determines $S \tilde{\otimes} N$ up to homotopy equivalence of differential graded S -modules, i.e., up to isomorphism in $K_+^{\text{tr}}(S)$, since—for $r = 1$ — S is a PID.

Yet Conjecture (13.9) in its original form fails even in case $r = 1$: The functor σ is not faithful (for any $r \geq 1$) (s. Example 2.5 below).

Example 2.5 Let N_1 and N_2 be differential graded Λ_\bullet -modules generated, as k -vector spaces, by $n_1, |n_1| = 0$, and $n_2, |n_2| = 2$, respectively. (Hence the Λ_\bullet -structures and the differentials on N_1 and N_2 are trivial.) Then $t(N_1) = S \otimes N_1$ and $t(N_2) = S \otimes N_2$ have trivial differentials, too. So $\sigma(t(N_1)) = N_1$ and $\sigma(t(N_2)) = N_2$, and the cohomology operations are trivial. Already for degree reasons there is only the trivial morphism from $\sigma(t(N_2))$ to $\sigma(t(N_1))$ in SP° . But $n_2 \mapsto \xi \otimes n_1$ extends to a morphism $f: t(N_2) \rightarrow t(N_1)$, which is non trivial in $K_+^{\text{tr}}(S)$. Hence σ is not faithful. Note that although there is only the trivial morphism from N_2 to N_1 in the homotopy category $K_+(\Lambda_\bullet)$, there are non trivial morphisms in the derived category $D_+(\Lambda_\bullet)$:

$$N_2 \xrightarrow{\Phi_2} \text{ht}(N_2) = \text{Hom}_k(\Lambda_\bullet, S \otimes N_2) \xrightarrow{h(f)} \text{Hom}_k(\Lambda_\bullet, S \otimes N_1) = \text{ht}(N_1) \xleftarrow{\Phi_1} N_1.$$

where $\Phi_i := \Phi(N_i)$, $i = 0, 1$ (s. [GKM, (16.2)], are morphisms in $K_+(\Lambda_\bullet)$. These morphisms induce isomorphisms in homology (s. [GKM, (16.2) (b)], i.e., they become isomorphisms in the derived category $D_+(\Lambda_\bullet)$.

Of course, there are similar examples for $r > 1$.

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