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We have seen that a lifting hom.

$$A \longrightarrow RA/IA^2 \quad a \longmapsto a + \varphi a$$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= (a_1 + \varphi a_1) \circ (a_2 + \varphi a_2) - (a_1 a_2 + \varphi(a_1 a_2)) \\ &= (a_1 \circ a_2 - a_1 a_2) + (\delta\varphi)(a_1, a_2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} \therefore \delta\varphi(a_1, a_2) \\ = da_1 da_2 \end{aligned}}$$

gives rise in a natural way to a lifting homomorphism  $A \longrightarrow \hat{R}A$ , and more generally, to a SDR equivalence  $\hat{R}A \xleftrightarrow{\sim} A$ . The idea is to consider the derivation  $D$  on  $RA$  defined by  $Da = \varphi a$ . Then  $D(RA) \subset IA$ ,  $D(IA^n) \subset IA^n$ , so  $D$  induces a derivation on the associated graded algebra  $\text{gr } RA = \bigoplus IA^n/IA^{n+1}$  such that  $D = 0$  on  $\text{gr}^0$ . Also

$$\begin{aligned} D(da, da_2) &= D(a_1 a_2 - a_1 \circ a_2) = \varphi(a_1 a_2) - \varphi a_1 \circ a_2 - a_1 \circ \varphi a_2 \\ &\equiv -(\delta\varphi)(a_1, a_2) = -da_1 da_2 \quad \text{mod } IA^2. \end{aligned}$$

so  $D = -n$  on  $\text{gr}^n$ , and the various eigenspaces of  $D$  on  $\varprojlim RA/IA^n$  give  $\boxed{\quad}$  an isomorphism of  $(\text{gr } RA)^{\wedge}$  with  $\hat{R}A$ .

Now we would like to discuss the following relative situation. Suppose  $A$  is an algebra under  $S$ , and consider the obvious surjection  $RA \rightarrow R_S A$ . We would like a SDR equivalence

$$\hat{R}A \longrightarrow \hat{R}_S A$$

Assume we have a lifting homomorphism

$$R_S A / I_S A^2 \longrightarrow RA / IA^2$$

Then we have an  $A$ -bimodule lifting  $\Omega_S^2 A \rightarrow \Omega^2 A$ . Also the cocycle  $d_S a_1 d_S a_2$  becomes cohomologous to

to  $da, da_2$  in  $\Omega^2 A$ . More precisely, if the lifting homomorphism  
 $(+ \text{ obvious } \Omega_S^2 A \hookrightarrow \Omega^2 A)$   
is  $a \mapsto a + \varphi a$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= (a_1 + \varphi a_1) \circ (a_2 + \varphi a_2) - (a_1 a_2 + \varphi(a_1 a_2) - \underline{(da_1 da_2)}_{(S, S)}) \\ &= -da_1 da_2 + (\delta\varphi)(a_1, a_2) + d_S a_1 d_S a_2 \\ \Rightarrow (\delta\varphi)(a_1, a_2) &= + \underline{(da_1 da_2 - d_S a_1 d_S a_2)} \end{aligned}$$

projection of  $da_1 da_2$  onto  
the Kernel of  $\Omega^2 A \rightarrow \Omega_S^2 A$ .

Then if we define  $D$  on  $RA$  by  $Da = \varphi a$   
we have

$$\begin{aligned} D(da_1 da_2) &= -(\delta\varphi)(a_1, a_2) = -(da_1 da_2 - d_S a_1 d_S a_2) \\ &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{on } \Omega_S^2 A \subset \Omega^2 A \\ -1 & \text{on the complement.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

and so we have the desired SDR equivalence.

Thus we want to analyze when such a  $\varphi$  exists. There are two cases we want to handle: First of all, when  $A \otimes_S A$  is a projective bimodule. Secondly, when  $S = A$  and  $A$  is quasi-free. The natural hypotheses suggested by these two cases are to assume the bimodule sequence

$$\textcircled{*} \quad 0 \rightarrow AdSA \rightarrow \Omega^1 A \rightarrow \Omega_S^1 A \rightarrow 0$$

splits and that  $AdSA$  is a projective bimodule. Let's show these hypotheses work. First of all the splitting of  $\textcircled{*}$  means that we have a derivation  $d': A \rightarrow AdSA$  such that if we put  $d'' = d - d'$ , then  $d''(S) = 0$ . (I recall that  $A \otimes_S A$  projective is equivalent to the existence of such a splitting  $d = d' + d''$  and further such that  $d'$  is an inner derivation.)

so we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega^1 A &= \Omega^1_S A \oplus \text{AdSA} \\ d &= d' + d'' \end{aligned}$$

Thus the basic 2-cocycle  $(d \cup d)(a_1, a_2) = da_1 da_2$  splits into 4 parts

$$d \cup d = d' \cup d' + \underbrace{(d' \cup d'' + d'' \cup d' + d'' \cup d'')}$$

and we want to write  $\overbrace{\quad}$  as a coboundary.

This will follow from the hypothesis that  $\text{AdSA}$  is projective, once we recall facts about cup products.

In general an element of  $H^p(A, X)$  is a map  $A \rightarrow \Sigma^p X$  in the derived category of bimodules. The cup product

$$H^p(A, X) \otimes H^q(A, Y) \rightarrow H^{p+q}(A, X \otimes_A Y)$$

can be ~~realized~~ realized by three maps.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A = A \otimes_A A & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes v} & A \otimes_A \Sigma^q Y \\ \downarrow u \otimes 1 & \searrow (-1)^{pq} u \otimes v & \downarrow u \otimes 1 \\ \Sigma^p X \otimes_A A & \xrightarrow[1 \otimes v]{} & \Sigma^p X \otimes_A \Sigma^q Y \end{array}$$

If  $X$  is projective,  $g > 0$ , (and  $X, Y$  are bimodules concentrated in degree zero), then  $1 \otimes v$  has to be the zero map.

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What this means is that because  $\text{AdSA}$  is projective, the 2-cocycles  $d' \cup d'', d'' \cup d'$ ,  $d'' \cup d''$  will be coboundaries. Here's how to do this explicitly.

First we need a splitting of

$$0 \rightarrow \text{AdSA} \otimes_A \Omega^1 A \xrightarrow{\quad} \text{AdSA} \otimes A \longrightarrow \text{AdSA} \rightarrow 0$$

which is the same as a connection  $\nabla$  in the bimodule  $\text{AdSA}$ . Notice that because  $\text{AdSA}$  is a direct summand of  $\Omega^1 A$  which is a free left  $A$ -module, the existence of ~~a bimodule splitting of~~ a bimodule splitting of the above exact sequence is equivalent to  $\text{AdSA}$  being a projective bimodule.  $\blacksquare$

Given  $\nabla$  consider  $\varphi = \nabla d'': \bar{A} \rightarrow \text{AdSA} \otimes_A \Omega^1 A$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} (\delta\varphi)(a_1, a_2) &= (\nabla d'' a_1) a_2 - \underbrace{\nabla(d'' a_1 a_2 + a_1 d'' a_2)}_{(\nabla d'' a_1) a_2 + d'' a_1 da_2 + a_1 \nabla d'' a_2} + a_1 (\nabla d'' a_2) \\ &= -d'' a_1 da_2 \end{aligned}$$

This expresses  $d'' \circ d$  as a 1-coboundary. Similarly taking the components of  $\nabla$  with respect to the decomposition  $\text{AdSA} \otimes_A \Omega^1 A = \text{AdSA} \otimes_A \Omega^1 S \oplus \text{AdSA} \otimes_A \text{AdSA}$  we express  $d'' \circ d'$  and  $d'' \circ d''$  as coboundaries.

On the other hand a bimodule splitting

$$\text{of } 0 \rightarrow \underline{\Omega^1 A} \longrightarrow A \otimes \text{AdSA} \longrightarrow \text{AdSA} \rightarrow 0$$

~~is~~ is equivalent to an operator  $\nabla^\ell: \text{AdSA} \rightarrow \Omega^1 A \otimes_A \text{AdSA}$  satisfying

$$\nabla^\ell(a \xi) = a \nabla^\ell \xi + da \xi$$

$$\nabla^\ell(\xi a) = (\nabla^\ell \xi) a$$

~~We have if~~ if  $\psi(a) = \nabla^\ell d'': \bar{A} \rightarrow \Omega^1 A \otimes_A \text{AdSA}$

$$\begin{aligned} (\delta\varphi)(a_1, a_2) &= (\nabla^\ell d'' a_1) a_2 - \underbrace{\nabla^\ell(d'' a_1 a_2 + a_1 d'' a_2)}_{(\nabla^\ell d'' a_1) a_2 + a_1 (\nabla^\ell d'' a_2) + \text{[redacted}} da_1 d'' a_2 + \text{[redacted]} da_1 da_2 \\ &= -da_1 da_2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $d \circ d''$ , and also  $d' \circ d''$  and  $d'' \circ d'$  are coboundaries.

Thus we conclude that assuming

- 1) The exact sequence of  $A$ -bimodules

$0 \rightarrow AdSA \rightarrow \Omega^1 A \rightarrow \Omega^1_{\mathcal{S}} A \rightarrow 0$   
splits. (equiv.  $\exists d'': A \rightarrow AdSA$  derivation such that  $(d-d'')(s)=0$ )

- 2)  $AdSA$  is a projective  $A$ -bimodule.

there exists  $\varphi$  such that

$$\delta\varphi = dd - d'd',$$

and hence there exists a lifting homomorphism

$$A \oplus \Omega^2_{\mathcal{S}} A \xrightarrow{\text{under }} A \oplus \Omega^2 A$$

and then a derivation  $D$  on  $\hat{R}A$  with eigenvalues  $-n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , which gives a SDR equivalence  
 $\hat{R}A \xleftarrow{\sim} \hat{R}_{\mathcal{S}} A$ .

Remark:  $\{R_{\mathcal{S}} A/I_{\mathcal{S}}^n A\}$  is a retract of  $\{\hat{R}A/I^n A\}$  so it is a quasi-free adic algebra, which is not necessarily the completion of a quasi-free algebra. So the generalization to such adic algebras is not vacuous.

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Let us now consider the case where  $S = \mathbb{C}[F]$ ,  $F^2 = 1$ . Here

$$\text{Ad}S A = \text{Ad}FA = A \otimes_S \mathbb{Q}'S \otimes_S A$$

so a connection in  $\text{Ad}S A$  should be obtained from a connection in  $\mathbb{Q}'S$ . ~~connection~~

Recall we have a connection in the bimodule  $S$  over itself ~~connection~~ with  $D_1 = \frac{1}{2} F d F$ . In fact this is unique. To see this directly, notice first that as  $\mathbb{Q}'S = S d F S$ , ~~we have~~  $F \xi = -\xi F$  for all  $\xi \in \mathbb{Q}'S$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla F &= \nabla(1 \cdot F) = (\nabla_1)F + dF \\ \nabla F &= \nabla(F \cdot 1) = F(\nabla_1) \end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \left[ F, \nabla_1 \right] = dF$$

$$\text{so } \nabla_1 = \frac{1}{2} F d F.$$

This connection  $\nabla$  on  $S$  induces one  $\nabla$  on  $\mathbb{Q}'S$  by  $\nabla(dF) = \nabla(df \cdot 1) = df \nabla(1) = df \frac{1}{2} F d F = -\frac{1}{2} F d F^2$ . (Notice this is - the obvious extension of  $\nabla$  to  $\mathbb{Q}'S \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}''S$ ).

Check

$$\circ \longrightarrow \mathbb{Q}''S \xrightarrow{\quad j \quad} \mathbb{Q}'S \otimes S \xrightarrow{\quad \text{---} \quad} \mathbb{Q}'S \longrightarrow \circ$$

$$\frac{1}{2} (df \otimes 1) \longleftrightarrow df$$

$$- F d F \otimes F$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } j(\nabla df) &= df \otimes 1 - \frac{1}{2} (df \otimes 1 - F d F \otimes F) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (df \otimes 1 + F d F \otimes F) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} F d F (F \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes F) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \nabla(df) = -\frac{1}{2} F d F^2.$$

Let us put

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} y &= \frac{1}{2} F d F \\ \nabla(y) &= -\frac{1}{2} dY \end{aligned}}$$

so that

We have

$$d = \underbrace{d + ad(Y)}_{d'} + \underbrace{(-adY)}_{d''}$$

$$(d + ad(Y))F = dF + [\frac{1}{2}FdF, F] = 0.$$

and we have seen there is a connection  $\nabla$  in ~~in~~ AdS A given by

$$\nabla(a_0 Y a_1) = a_0 (-\frac{1}{2}dY)a_1 + a_0 Y da_1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Put } \varphi(a) &= \nabla(d''a) = \nabla[a, Y] = \nabla(aY - Ya) \\ &= a(-\frac{1}{2}dY) - (-\frac{1}{2}dY)a - Yda \end{aligned}$$

$$\varphi(a) = -Yda + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}[dY, a]}_{\text{killed by } \delta}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } (\delta\varphi)(a_1, a_2) &= -(Yda_1)a_2 + Y(da_1a_2 + a_1da_2) - a_1Yda_2 \\ &= [Y, a_1]da_2 \\ &= -d''a_1da_2 \end{aligned}$$

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Notice that since  $d''a = [a, Y]$ , the actual choice of  $\nabla Y$  doesn't seem to matter much, since

$$\varphi(a) = \nabla d''a = \nabla(aY - Ya) = -Yda + \underbrace{[a, \nabla Y]}_{\text{S-cocycle}}$$

similarly for the left connection we found

$$\psi(a) = \nabla^l d''a = \nabla^l(aY - Ya) = \underbrace{da}_{} Y + \underbrace{[a, \nabla^l Y]}_{\text{S-cocycle}}$$

(In fact we computed  $\nabla^l Y = -\frac{1}{2}dY$ ). And

$$\begin{aligned} (\delta\psi)(a_1, a_2) &= da_1 Y a_2 - (da_1 a_2 + a_1 da_2)Y + [a_1, da_2]Y \\ &= da_1 [Y, a_2] = -da_1 d''a_2 \end{aligned}$$

Let's summarize what seems to be the important output. We have (normalized) 1-cochains

$$a \mapsto -Yda \quad \text{w. coboundary} \quad -d'' \circ d$$

$$a \mapsto daY \quad \text{---} \quad -d \circ d''$$

We want a cochain with coboundary  $-(d'' \circ d' + d' \circ d'' + d'' \circ d'')$ . Consider the components of the above cochains

$$-Yda = -Yd'a - Y[a, Y]$$

$$daY = d'aY + [a, Y]Y$$

Observe that  $[a, Y]Y - (-Y[a, Y]) = [a, Y^2]$  is a coboundary, hence the right terms are cohomologous. So let's average them to get the cochain

$$\frac{1}{2}([a, Y]Y - Y[a, Y]) = \boxed{\cancel{\text{d}'aY} - \cancel{Yd'a}} \quad \frac{1}{2}[[a, Y], Y]$$

whose coboundary should be  $-d'' \circ d''$ .

~~This is the coboundary of~~

$$\delta(a) = \cancel{[da, Y]} - \frac{1}{2} \cancel{[[a, Y], Y]}$$

~~should be  $-(d'' \circ d' + d' \circ d'' + d'' \circ d'')$~~

Thus the coboundary of

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{\Phi}(a) &= d'aY - Yd'a + \frac{1}{2}[[a, Y], Y] \\ &= [da, Y] - \frac{1}{2}[[a, Y], Y]\end{aligned}$$

should be  $-(d'' \circ d' + d' \circ d'' + d'' \circ d'')$ . Check

$$\begin{aligned}-\langle \delta \bar{\Phi} \rangle_{(a_1, a_2)} &= da_1 [a_2, Y] + [a_1, Y] da_2 \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2} [a_1, Y] [a_2, Y] - \frac{1}{2} [a_1, Y] [a_2, Y] \\ &= (da_1 - [a_1, Y]) [a_2, Y] + [a_1, Y] (da_2 - [a_2, Y]) + \frac{[a_1, Y]}{[a_2, Y]}\end{aligned}$$

Humanize (with ~~the~~ the goal of straightening out the signs). We define the derivation

$D$  on  $RA$  by  $Da = \varphi a$ , where  $\varphi: \tilde{A} \rightarrow I^2 A$ .

$$\text{Then } D(da, da_2) = -(\delta\varphi)(a_1, a_2) \pmod{IA^2}$$

In the quasi-free case  $\varphi a = D a$  and

$$\begin{aligned} -(\delta\varphi)(a_1, a_2) &= D(da_1, a_2 + a_1 da_2) - (D a_1) a_2 - a_1 D a_2 \\ &= da_1 da_2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $D$  has the eigenvalues  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

~~Example~~ The lifting homom.

is  $a - \varphi(a)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} (a_1 - \varphi a_1) \circ (a_2 - \varphi a_2) &= a_1 a_2 - da_1 da_2 - \varphi a_1 a_2 - a_1 \varphi a_2 \\ &\stackrel{?}{=} a_1 a_2 - \varphi(a_1 a_2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow da_1 da_2 + \varphi a_1 a_2 + a_1 \varphi a_2 = \varphi(a_1 a_2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -(\delta\varphi)(a_1, a_2) = da_1 da_2$$

Check that  $D(a - \varphi(a)) = \varphi(a) - \varphi(a) = 0 \pmod{IA^2}$ .

Example:  $A = \mathbb{C}[F]$ .

$$(F + c F d F^2) \circ (F + c F d F^2) = 1 - d F^2 + 2c d F^2 = 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow c = \frac{1}{2}. \quad \text{Thus } \tilde{F} = F + \frac{1}{2} F d F^2 \text{ is}$$

the idempotent lifting  $F$  and  $\varphi(F) = -\frac{1}{2} F d F^2$   
which checks with  $D(dF) = -\frac{1}{2} F d F^2$

Program: Take  $S = \mathbb{C}[F]$ . You want to construct a lifting homomorphism  $R_S A / I_S A^2 \rightarrow RA / IA^2$ . The original idea for obtaining a lifting homom.  $\tilde{R}_S A \rightarrow \tilde{R} A$  was to lift  $F$  to  $\tilde{F}$ , then take the centralizer of  $\tilde{F}$  which maps onto  $\tilde{R}_S A$  and then lifts  $R_S A$  using the fact that  $\mathbb{A}/S$  is a projective

*S*-bimodule. I have to compare 717  
this method with the one obtained from

$$\begin{aligned}q(a) &= [da, Y] + \frac{1}{2} [[a, Y], Y] \\&= [d'a, Y] + \frac{1}{2} [[a, Y], Y]\end{aligned}$$

which we know satisfies

$$-(\delta q)(a_1, a_2) = d'a_1 [a_2, Y] + [a_1, Y] d'a_2 + [a_1, Y] [a_2, Y]$$

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Consider the case where  $S = \mathbb{C}[e] \subset A$  and  $e$  is a central idempotent. We have

$$\begin{aligned} d(a) &= d(eae + e^\perp a e^\perp) \\ &= edae + e^\perp da e^\perp \\ &\quad + deae + eade - deae e^\perp - e^\perp ade \\ &= (edae + e^\perp da e^\perp) + [a, \underbrace{ede - e^\perp de}] \\ &\quad (2e-1)de = \frac{1}{2} FdF. \end{aligned}$$

We have a direct sum decomposition

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega^1 A &= e\Omega^1 A e \oplus e^\perp \Omega^1 A e^\perp \oplus e\Omega^1 A e^\perp \oplus e^\perp \Omega^1 A e \\ &\cong \Omega^1(eA) \oplus \Omega^1(e^\perp A) \oplus \underbrace{(eA \otimes e^\perp A)}_{A(e(dee)e^\perp A)} \oplus \underbrace{(e^\perp A \otimes eA)}_{A(e^\perp(dee)e)A} \end{aligned}$$

Let us consider the case of  $A = \tilde{A} = \mathbb{C} \oplus a$  where  $\tilde{A}$  is a unital algebra. Here  $e$  is the identity of  $\tilde{A}$  and  $e^\perp A = \mathbb{C} e^\perp$ . Then we have  $\Omega^1(e^\perp A) = 0$ , so

$$\textcircled{*} \quad \Omega^1 A \cong \Omega^1 a \oplus \underbrace{a}_{a e de} \oplus \underbrace{a}_{d e e a}$$

As a check recall

$$\Omega^1 A \cong \tilde{A} \otimes \bar{\tilde{A}} = \tilde{A}^{\otimes 2} \oplus a$$

$$\Omega^1 a \cong a \otimes \bar{a}$$

and in passing from  $\Omega^1 A$  to  $\Omega^1 a$  one kills two copies of  $a$ .

The direct sum decomposition  $\textcircled{*}$  allows us to describe  $A, \Omega^1 A$ , (and maybe  $\Omega^2 A$ ) via

matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix} \quad \Omega^1 A = \begin{pmatrix} \Omega^1 a & a c e d e \\ a c e d a & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Omega^2 A = \begin{pmatrix} \Omega^1 a & a c e d e \\ a c e d a & 0 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Omega^1 a & a c e d e \\ a c e d a & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

It would be nice to use this description to understand the canonical lifting homomorphism  $R_S A \rightarrow \hat{R} A$  which we seem to have. First we ought to work what happens to first order, i.e. we want a <sup>lifting</sup> homomorphism

$$(A + a) \oplus \Omega^2 a \longrightarrow A \oplus \Omega^2 A$$

with respect to the Fedosov product.

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Let us return to

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(a) &= [da, Y] - \frac{1}{2} [[a, Y], Y] \\ &= [d'a, Y] + \frac{1}{2} [[a, Y], Y]\end{aligned}$$

Instead of  $\varphi$  consider

$$\psi(a) = [da, Y] = [d'a, Y] + [[a, Y], Y]$$

and define  $D'$  to be the derivation of RA  
such that  $D'a = \psi(a)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}D'(da, da_2) &= -(\delta\varphi)(a_1, a_2) \\ &= da_1 [a_2, Y] + [a_1, Y] da_2 \\ &= (d' \cup d'' + d'' \cup d' + 2d'' \cup d'')(a_1, a_2)\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so } D' = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{on } \Omega_S^2 A \\ 1 & \text{on } \Omega_S^1 A \cdot \text{Ad} SA + \text{Ad} SA \cdot \Omega_S^1 A \\ 2 & \text{on } \text{Ad} SA \cdot \text{Ad} SA \end{cases}$$

$$\text{and } D'(a - \varphi(a)) = \psi(a) - D'(\psi(a))$$

$$\begin{aligned}&= [da, Y] - ([d'a, Y] + 2[[a, Y], Y]) \\ &= -[[a, Y], Y] = -\frac{1}{2} D'([a, Y], Y)\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore D'(a - \varphi(a) + \frac{1}{2} [[a, Y], Y]) = 0$$

$$D'\left(a - \underbrace{([d'a, Y] + \frac{1}{2} [[a, Y], Y])}_{\varphi(a)}\right) = 0$$

Thus we get the same lifting to first order from  $D$  and  $D'$ . However it might be the case that the lifting homomorphisms associated to  $D$  and  $D'$  are different, which would be unfortunate.

Consider  $A = R/I$  and assume both  $R, A$  quasi-free. Then we can construct an SDR equivalence

$$\hat{R} = \varprojlim R/I^n \xrightarrow{\sim} A$$

as follows. We have the exact sequence

$$(*) \quad 0 \longrightarrow I/I^2 \longrightarrow A \otimes_R \Omega^1 R \otimes_R A \longrightarrow \Omega^1 A \longrightarrow 0$$

and since  $\Omega^1 R, \Omega^1 A$  are projective as bimodules, it follows that  $I/I^2$  is a projective  $A$ -bimodule. We can choose a lifting hom.  $A \longrightarrow \hat{R}$ , and then we have a surjection  $\hat{I} \longrightarrow I/I^2$  of  $A$ -bimodules. As  $I/I^2$  is projective, we can choose a bimodule lifting  $I/I^2 \longrightarrow \hat{I}$ . Then we obtain an algebra hom.

$$T_A(I/I^2) \longrightarrow \hat{R}$$

carrying  $T_A^0(I/I^2)$  to  $\hat{I}$  such that the map on assoc. graded algebras is an isom. in degrees 0, 1, and hence surjective. Thus we have a surjection  $\hat{T}_A(I/I^2) \longrightarrow \hat{R}$ , and since  $R$  is quasi-free there is a lifting homomorphism, which has to be an isom. on  $gr^0, gr^1$  hence this lifting hom is surjective and we conclude  $\hat{T}_A(I/I^2) \xrightarrow{\sim} \hat{R}$ .

But here's an easy way to do this construction. Recall that  $*$  corresponds to the square zero extension  $R/I^2$  by pull-back:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & I/I^2 & \longrightarrow & A \otimes_R \Omega^1 R \otimes_R A & \longrightarrow & \Omega^1 A \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \parallel & & \uparrow d & & \uparrow d \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & I/I^2 & \longrightarrow & R/I^2 & \longrightarrow & A \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

bimodule

so a splitting of  $\oplus$  corresponds to  
a lifting homom.  $R/I \rightarrow R/I^2$ . Pick  
such a lifting homomorphism and consider  
the derivation  $D$  on  $R/I^2$  which is  $I$   
on  $I/I^2$  and  $0$  on the lift of  $A$ .  $D$   
gives a derivation of  $R$  with values in  $I/I^2$   
which corresponds to an  $R$ -bimodule map  $\Omega^1 R \rightarrow I/I^2$ ,  
since  $\Omega^1 R$  is projective, we can lift this to  
an  $R$ -bimodule map  $\Omega^1 R \rightarrow I$ . Thus we can  
extension  $D$  to a derivation on  $R$  carrying  $R$  into  
 $I$ . Then  $D = I$  on  $I/I^2 \Rightarrow D = 0$  on  $I^n/I^{n+1}$   
and so  $\hat{R} \cong \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} I^n R$ .

This construction has a very nice geometric interpretation: Given a submanifold  $Z \subset M$ , one chooses a splitting of

$$0 \rightarrow TZ \rightarrow TM|_Z \rightarrow N \rightarrow 0$$

and then one chooses a vector field on  $M$  vanishing appropriately on  $Z$ . (Recall that if a section of a vector bundle vanishes at a point, there is a canonical map from the tangent space at that point to the fibre. Thus a vector field vanishing along  $Z$  gives a map from the normal bundle to  $Z$  into  $TM|_Z$ ; we require this map to be the splitting.)

This raises the question as to what extent the map  $\hat{Q}A \cong \Omega^1 A$ , which has associated to a connection on  $\Omega^1 A$ , is the "exponential map".

Affine spaces. Let  $V$  be a vector space equipped with a distinguished non-zero element  $l_V$ . Let

$$\bar{S}V = SV / (1 - l_V)$$

Its variety is the affine space  $\{f \in V^* \mid f(l_V) = 1\}$ .

Given  $(V, l_V), (W, l_W)$  one can form the product  $(V \oplus W, l_V + l_W)$ . The corresponding affine space is the "join" of the affine spaces corresponding to  $V$  and  $W$ . For example take two non parallel non intersecting lines in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ; the join is the whole space  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Consider a push-out

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{C}l_V \oplus \mathbb{C}l_W & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & \mathbb{C} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ V \oplus W & \longrightarrow & X \end{array}$$

where  $\alpha(l_V) = 1-t, \alpha(l_W) = t$ . For  $t \neq 0, 1$  the affine space corresponding to  $X$  is the product of the affine spaces belonging to  $V, W$ .

Actually it seems that to  $(V, l_V)$  belongs a family of affine spaces

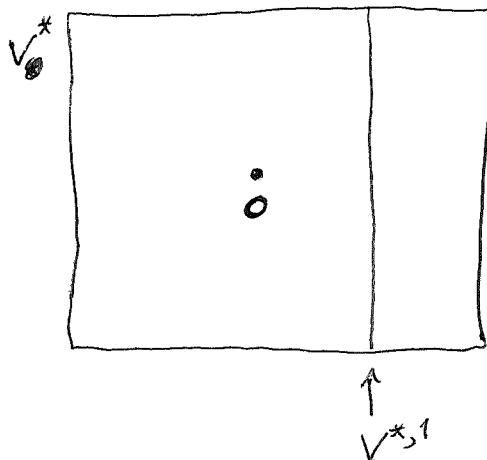
$$V^{*,c} = \{f \in V^* \mid f(l_V) = c\}$$

which are canonically isomorphic for  $c \neq 0$ . For  $c=0$  we get  $\bar{V}^*$ , and to be complete we probably should add a projective space for  $c=\infty$ .

The join of two affine spaces contains each affine ~~space~~ space as a subspace and these affine subspaces are disjoint. This picture corresponds to the obvious surjection

$$\bar{S}(V \oplus W) \rightarrow \bar{S}V \times \bar{S}W$$

We are interested in the case where  $(W, \mathbb{I}_W) = (\mathbb{C}, 1)$ . Here the join is just  $V^*$



We have omitted the product of two affine spaces. In general if  $P, P'$  are torsors under  $G, G'$  then  $P \times P'$  is a torsor under  $G \times G'$ . This corresponds to taking tensor product of the correspond. algebras  $\bar{S}V \otimes \bar{S}W = \bar{S}(V \oplus W / (\mathbb{I}_V - \mathbb{I}_W))$ .

Perhaps things would be clearer if you worked dually with surjections  $V^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . Then you have the product of affine spaces ~~██████████~~ corresponding to the fibre product  $V^* \times_{\mathbb{C}} W^*$ , and the join which corresponds to

$$V^* \oplus W^* \longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \oplus \mathbb{C} \xrightarrow{+} \mathbb{C}$$

~~$V^* \times_{\mathbb{C}} W^*$~~  In the category of affine spaces, the <sup>fibre</sup> product ~~██████████~~ is the product and the join is ~~██████████~~ the direct sum. There is some sort of flow on the join which is reminiscent of Cayley transforms & Morse theory of Grassmannians.

Formula for the flows. There ~~████~~ are two flows one might consider on the real line with fixpoints  $\pm 1$ , which arise from the C.T. for the circle  $= u(1)$ . Use the derivation  $t \partial_t$  for which  $t^n$

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is an eigenfunction with eigenvalue  $n$ .

The first flow has trajectories

$$g_t = \frac{1+ity}{1-it} = \frac{1-t^2y^2}{1+t^2y^2} + i \frac{2ty}{1+t^2y^2}$$

Thus

$$x = \frac{1-t^2y^2}{1+t^2y^2} \quad y \text{ constant}$$

$$t\dot{x} = \frac{(1+t^2y^2)(-2t^2y^2) - (1-t^2y^2)(2t^2y^2)}{(1+t^2y^2)^2}$$

$$= -\frac{4t^2y^2}{(1+t^2y^2)^2} = -\left(\frac{2ty}{1+t^2y^2}\right)^2$$

$$= -(1-x^2)$$

i. The first flow is

$$t\dot{x} = -(1-x^2)$$

The second flow has trajectories

$$g_t = \frac{1+ity}{\sqrt{1+t^2y^2}}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^2y^2}}$$

$$t\dot{x} = \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)(1+t^2y^2)^{-3/2} (2t^2y^2)$$

$$= -x \left(\frac{ty}{\sqrt{1+t^2y^2}}\right)^2 = -x(1-x^2)$$

The second flow is

$$t\dot{x} = -x(1-x^2)$$

I don't know what to make of this.

We encountered it earlier in the following way.

Given a lifting  $x$  of an involution, think of  $x$  as a self-adjoint operator  $-1 < x < 1$  and write it

$$x = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{1+\alpha^2}} \quad \text{with } \alpha \text{ self-adjoint. Then}$$

scaling  $\alpha_t = t^{-1}$  gives

$$x_t = \frac{t^{-1}}{\sqrt{\alpha^2 + t^2}} = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{\alpha^2 + t^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^2}\alpha}, y = \alpha^{-1}.$$

It's not clear whether any of this has any significance.

Summarize: When we take the join of two affine spaces we obtain a linear function  $\chi$ , the join parameter, which can be normalized to be  $\pm 1$  on the two affine subspaces. Then for each pair of points one from each affine subspace, we a line joining them and we can construct a flow from one to the other - this is the first type  $t\dot{x} = -(1-x^2)$  - or a flow towards the ~~midpoint~~ midpoint - this is the second type  $t\dot{x} = -x(1-x^2)$ .

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Let  $V$  be a vector space with a given non-zero element  $1_V$ , let  $R = T(V)$ , let  $I$  be the kernel of the canonical surjection

$$R = T(V) \longrightarrow RV \times \mathbb{C}$$

where the first component is the canonical surjection onto  $RV = TV/(1-1_V)$  and the second component is the augmentation  $TV \rightarrow TV/(v) = \mathbb{C}$ .

Thus

$$I = R(1-x)R \supset RVR$$

where we write  $x$  for  $1_V$ .

Recall that for coprime ideals :  $R = J+K$  we have  $J \cap K = JK + KJ$ . In effect the inclusion  $\supset$  is clear, and

$$\begin{aligned} J \cap K &= (J \cap K)R \subset (J \cap K)JK + (J \cap K)KJ \\ &\subset J^2K + K^2J \subset JK + KJ. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} I &= R(1-x)RVR + RVR(1-x)R \\ &= R(1-x)VR + RV(1-x)R \\ &\quad \text{since } RV = VR = RVR. \end{aligned}$$

We next calculate  $I/I^2$ .

Let us put  $A = R/I \cong RV \times \mathbb{C}$ . The image of  $x$  in  $A$  is the ~~idempotent~~ idempotent  $(1, 0)$  which we denote  $e$ . Put  $a = ea$  so that  $a \cong RV$  with  $e \leftrightarrow$  identity elt. We have  $e^\perp A = \mathbb{C}e^\perp \subset A$ .

We now use the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow I/I^2 \longrightarrow A \otimes_R \Omega^1 R \otimes_R A \xrightarrow{\pi} \Omega^1 A \longrightarrow 0$$

$\oplus$

$$A \otimes V \otimes A$$

of  $A$ -bimodules. Recall

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega^1 A &= e \Omega^1 A e \cong A \otimes V \otimes Q \\ &\oplus e^\perp \Omega^1 A e^\perp \cong \Omega^1 C = 0 \\ &\oplus e \Omega^1 A e^\perp = Ade \cong A \\ &\oplus e^\perp \Omega^1 A e^\perp = deA \cong A\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}A \otimes dV \otimes A &= AdVA \cong A \otimes \bar{V} \otimes A \\ &\oplus e^\perp dV e^\perp \cong V \\ &\oplus A dV e^\perp \cong A \otimes V \\ &\oplus e^\perp dV A \cong V \otimes A\end{aligned}$$

We need to compute  $\pi$ , which is a bimodule map. We have

$$\pi(dv) = edve + e^\perp dve + edv e^\perp + e^\perp dve^\perp$$

$$e^\perp dve = e^\perp d(ev) e = e^\perp de ve = (e^\perp de)v$$

$$edv e^\perp = e d(v e) e^\perp = ev de e^\perp = v(de)$$

$$e^\perp dv e^\perp = e^\perp d(v e) e^\perp = e^\perp v de e^\perp = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \pi(dv) &= edve + (e^\perp de)v + v(de) \\ &= edve + (de)v + v(de)\end{aligned}$$


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Let's review the steps so far. We have

$V$  with the non-zero elt  $x = 1_V \in V$  and we consider  $T(V) \longrightarrow RV \times \mathbb{P} = TV/I$

where  $I = R(1-x)R \approx RVR$

$$= R(1-x)VR + RV(1-x)R.$$

where  $R = T(V)$ .

Our problem is to construct a lifting homomorphism  $R/I \xrightarrow{\text{lift}} R/I^n$ . Another way of putting this " is we want like project any linear map  $\phi: V \rightarrow B$  to a linear map  $\phi': V \rightarrow B$  satisfying

$$p'(v) = p'(x)p'(v) = p'(v)p'(x)$$

for all  $v \in V$ , provided  $p(v), p(x)p(v)$ ,  $p(v)p(x)$  are congruent modulo some nilpotent ideal.

The idea is first to study the lifting problem to first order:  $R/I \rightarrow R/I^2$ . We can compute  $I/I^2$ , in fact the extension  $R/I^2$ , using the exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow I/I^2 \longrightarrow A \otimes_R S'R \otimes_R A \xrightarrow{\pi} S'A \longrightarrow 0$$

$\Downarrow$   
 $A \otimes_R R \otimes_R A$

We have

$$\begin{aligned}\pi(dw) &= ed\bar{w}e + e^\perp d\bar{w}e + ed\bar{w}e^\perp + e^\perp d\bar{w}e^\perp \\ &= ed\bar{w}e + de\bar{w} + \bar{w}de + 0\end{aligned}$$

where  $e$  denotes the image of  $x$  in  $A = R/I \cong RV \times \mathbb{C}$ ,  
 i.e.  $e \leftrightarrow (1, 0) \in RV \times \mathbb{C}$ , and where  $\bar{\sigma}$  denotes the  
 image of  $\sigma$  under  $T(V) \rightarrow RV$ . Note that  $e\bar{\sigma} = \bar{\sigma}e = \bar{v}$ .

We have for  $\pi$  the direct sum of the maps

$$i) \quad a \otimes V \otimes a \longrightarrow a \otimes \bar{V} \otimes a$$

$$2) \quad e^t \otimes V \otimes a \longrightarrow de a \simeq a$$

$$3) \quad a \otimes v \otimes e^+ \longrightarrow a_{de} = a$$

$$4) \quad e^\perp \otimes V \otimes e^\perp \longrightarrow 0$$

1) The  $A$ -bimodule map  
 $\bar{v} \mapsto \bar{v}$ ; this corresponds to  $d\bar{v} = d\bar{v} \in R^A$

The kernel of 1) is  $A \otimes x \otimes A \simeq A dx A$ . It is a free  $A$ -bimodule generated by  $dx e$ .

1) has two obvious sections given by

$$\bar{v} \mapsto P \otimes v \otimes P - \bar{v} \otimes x \otimes e$$

$$\bar{v} \mapsto e \otimes v \otimes e - c \otimes x \otimes \bar{v}$$

These vanish when  $v=x$  since  $\bar{x}=e$ .

The simplest section of 1) is perhaps given by averaging these

$$\bar{v} \mapsto e \otimes v \otimes e - \frac{1}{2}(\bar{v} \otimes x \otimes e + e \otimes x \otimes \bar{v}).$$

However, one can take other linear combinations. It seems that there is a "join" of possibilities.

2) is the left  $\mathbb{C}c^\perp$ , right  $A$  bimodule map  $c^\perp \otimes v \otimes e \mapsto c^\perp d\bar{v}e = dv$ . It is therefore just the <sup>left</sup> multiplication map

$$V \otimes A \mapsto A \quad v \otimes x \mapsto \bar{v}x$$

There's an obvious section sending  $e$  to  $x \otimes e$

Similarly 3) is <sup>the</sup> right multiplication map  $A \otimes V \rightarrow A$ , which has the obvious section (which is a map of left  $A$ , right  $\mathbb{C}c^\perp$  modules)  
 $c \mapsto c \otimes x$ .

4) has an obvious section, the zero map.

Putting these sections together we obtain an  $A$ -bimodule section of  $\pi$ , and we know this is equivalent to a lifting homomorphism  $A \rightarrow R/I^2$ . Now we should work this out explicitly, using the

cartesian square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R/I^2 & \xrightarrow{\quad} & A \\ \downarrow d & & \downarrow d \\ A \otimes_R A & \xrightarrow{\pi} & \Omega^1 A \end{array}$$

What this means is that we take an elt. of  $A$ , say  $\bar{v}$ , lift  $d\bar{v}$  using the section of  $\pi$ , and then represent the result by an element of  $R$ . Recall

$$\begin{aligned} d\bar{v} &= ed\bar{v}e + e^\perp d\bar{v}e + e d\bar{v}e^\perp + e^\perp d\bar{v}e^\perp \\ &= ed\bar{v}e + d\bar{v}e + \bar{v}de \end{aligned}$$

The lifting of  $ed\bar{v}e$  we decided to use is  $e \otimes v \otimes e - \frac{1}{2}(\bar{v} \otimes x \otimes e + e \otimes x \otimes \bar{v})$

which should be written

$$ed\bar{v}e - \frac{1}{2}(\bar{v}dx e + e dx \bar{v}) \in A \otimes_R \Omega^1 R \otimes_R A$$

The lifting of  $d\bar{v}e$  is  $\boxed{e^\perp dx \bar{v}} \in \mathbb{C} e^\perp \otimes_R \Omega^1_R A$

The lifting of  $\bar{v}de$  is  $\bar{v}dx e^\perp \in A \otimes_R \Omega^1 R \otimes_R A$

Thus we have the element

~~edv e - 1/2(v dx e + e dx v) + e^perp dx v + v dx e^perp~~

$$\xi = \begin{aligned} &edv e - \frac{1}{2}(\bar{v}dx e + e dx \bar{v}) \\ &+ e^\perp dx \bar{v} + \bar{v}dx e^\perp \end{aligned} \in A \otimes_R \Omega^1 R \otimes_R A$$

such that  $\pi(\xi) = d\bar{v} \in \Omega^1 A$ . Now we wish to find  $\underbrace{v + \text{suitable element of } I}_{\xi}$  mapping to  $\xi$ . This should be  $v - \varphi(v)$

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We consider

$$R = \mathbb{C}\langle x, y \rangle \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}[y] \times \mathbb{C} = R/I$$

$$x \longmapsto (1, 0) = e$$

$$y \longmapsto (y, 0) = v$$

$I$  generated by  $x(1-x)$ ,  $y(1-x)$ ,  $(1-x)y$

Consider  $\partial: R \longrightarrow A \otimes_R \Omega^1 R \otimes_R A$ ,  $A = R/I$ .

Then  $I/I^2$  is the  $A$  subbimodule generated by

$$\begin{aligned} \partial(x(1-x)) &= dx e^\perp - edx \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -edxe & 0 \\ 0 & e^\perp dx e^\perp \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial(y(1-x)) &= dy e^\perp - v dx \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -v dx e & edy e^\perp - v dx e^\perp \\ 0 & e^\perp dy e^\perp \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial((1-x)y) &= e^\perp dy - dx v \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -edx v & 0 \\ e^\perp dy e - e^\perp dx v & e^\perp dy e^\perp \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Exact sequences:  $A \otimes W \otimes A$      $W = \mathbb{C}x + \mathbb{C}y$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & I/I^2 & \longrightarrow & A \otimes_R \Omega^1 R \otimes_R A & \xrightarrow{\pi} \Omega^1 A & \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \parallel & & \uparrow \partial & & \uparrow d \\ & & & & & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & I/I^2 & \longrightarrow & R/I^2 & \longrightarrow & A \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

Recall there's a fairly canonical bimodule lifting for  $\pi$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A \otimes W \otimes A & \xrightarrow{\pi} & S^1 A \\ \parallel & & \parallel \\ \begin{pmatrix} \text{ad}^+ a & \text{ad}^+ W e^+ \\ e^+ d^+ W a & e^+ d^+ W e^+ \end{pmatrix} & & \begin{pmatrix} \text{ad}^+ a & \text{ad}^+ e \\ d^+ a & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$$

Canonical liftings

$$\begin{array}{ccc} e^+ dy \alpha & \longmapsto & e^+ d\alpha = de \alpha \\ e^+ d^+ W a & \xrightarrow{\pi} & da \\ e^+ dx \alpha & \longleftarrow & d\alpha \end{array}$$

In effect

$$\begin{array}{ccc} e^+ d^+ W a & \longrightarrow & da \\ \text{is} & & \text{is} \\ W \otimes a & \xrightarrow{\text{left mult}} & a. \end{array}$$

$V = W \otimes a$ . Let  $L$  denote the canonical lifting

Then

$$L(de \alpha) = e^+ dx \alpha$$

Similarly

$$d^+ d^+ W \otimes e^+ \xrightarrow{\pi} da$$

$$\alpha dy e^+ \longmapsto \alpha dv e^+ = \alpha v de$$

and the canonical lifting is

$$L(\alpha de) = \alpha dx e^+$$

Next we need

$$d^+ d^+ W a \longrightarrow S^1 a = a \otimes V \otimes a = \text{ad}^+ V a$$

which kills  $\text{ad}^+ V a$ . Here we have the liftings

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_0 dv \alpha_1 &\longmapsto \alpha_0 (\text{ed}y e - v dx e) \alpha_1 \\ &\longmapsto \alpha_0 (\text{ed}y e - e dx v) \alpha_1 \end{aligned}$$

Suppose we take a suitable average

$$\boxed{L(\alpha_0 dw \alpha_1) = \alpha_0 (edye - t v dx e - (1-t) v dx e^\perp) \alpha_1}$$

Now take

$$dy = \begin{pmatrix} e^dye & e^dye^\perp \\ e^\perp dy e & e^\perp dy e^\perp \end{pmatrix}$$

The lifting  $A \rightarrow R/I^2$  we seek ~~the differential~~  
~~the differential~~ sends  $w$  to  $y - \varphi(y)$ , where

$$\partial(y - \varphi(y)) = L(dy)$$

$$\text{i.e. } \partial\varphi(y) = \partial y - L(dy).$$

$$L(dy) = L \begin{pmatrix} edwe & vde \\ dev & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} edye - t v dx e - (1-t) v dx e^\perp & v dx e^\perp \\ e^\perp dx v & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

To find  $\varphi(y)$ ?

$$\partial\varphi(y) = \begin{pmatrix} t v dx e + (1-t) v dx e^\perp & e^dye^\perp - v dx e^\perp \\ e^\perp dy e - e^\perp dx v & e^\perp dy e^\perp \end{pmatrix}$$

But

$$\partial(xy(1-x)) = \begin{pmatrix} -v dx e & edye^\perp - v dx e^\perp \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\partial((1-x)yx) = \begin{pmatrix} -edx v & 0 \\ e^\perp dy e - e^\perp dx v & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\partial((1-x)y(1-x)) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\frac{1}{2}}dye^{\frac{1}{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\partial(x(1-x)y) = \begin{pmatrix} -edxv & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\partial(yx(1-x)) = \begin{pmatrix} -vdxv & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

so  $\varphi(y) =$

$$\begin{aligned} & \cancel{\text{something}} \quad xy(1-x) + (1-x)yx + (1-x)yx(1-x) \\ & \quad - x(1-x)y \quad - yx(1-x) \\ & \quad - t x(1-x)y \quad - (1-t)yx(1-x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} \varphi(y) = & \quad xy(1-x) + (1-x)yx + (1-x)yx(1-x) \\ & \quad - (1+t)x(1-x)y - (2-t)yx(1-x) \end{aligned}}$$

Check this by letting  $y = x$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(x) &= x^2(1-x)(2-(1+t)-(2-t)) + x(1-x)^2 \\ &= x(1-x)(x(-1)+1-x) = -(2x-1)x(1-x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore x - \varphi(x) = x + (2x-1)x(1-x)$$

which is the lifting of the idempotent  $e$ .

$$(\text{Check: } x - \varphi(x) = x(1+2x-2x^2-1+x) = x^2(3-2x))$$

$$\begin{aligned} (x - \varphi x)^2 &= x^2(1+(2x-1)(1-x))^2 \equiv x^2(1+2(2x-1)(1-x)) \\ &\equiv x^2(1+2(1-x)) = x^2(3-2x) \quad (\text{congruences mod } x^2(x-1)^2) \end{aligned}$$

This appears to be the correct formula. Let's check, again by considering the commutative case, where  $x, y$  commute. Then we get

$$y - \varphi(y) = \underline{y(1 + (2x-1)(1-x))}$$

General consideration. Since  $I^2$  contains

~~$y(x-1)$ ,  $(x-1)x$ ,  $(x-1)^2$~~

$$y(x-1)x(x-1), (x-1)yx(x-1),$$

$x(x-1)y(x-1)$ ,  $x(x-1)(x-1)y$ , whose highest degree monomials are  $yx^3, xyx^2, x^2y, x^3y$  it follows that mod  $I^2$  we can reduce any monomial in  $x, y$  to one where there are ~~none~~ none of the monomials  $yx^3, xyx^2, x^2yx, x^3y$  inside. So for monomials where  $y$  occurs once, one has modulo  $I^2$ , only  $y, xy, yx, x^2y, xyx, yx^2$ , that is, degree  $\leq 2$  in  $x$ .

Let's check our results. Consider  $R = T(V)$  and define a derivation  $D$  on  $R$  by

$$\begin{aligned} D(y) &= \varphi(y) \\ &= xy(1-x) + (1-x)yx + (1-x)y(1-x) \\ &\quad - \frac{3}{2}(x(1-x)y + y(1-x)x) \\ &= y - xyx - \frac{3}{2}(x(1-x)y + y(1-x)x). \end{aligned}$$

for all  $y \in V$ . Observe that

$$\begin{aligned} D(x) &= x - x^3 - 3x^2(1-x) \\ &= x - 3x^2 + 2x^3 \\ &= x(1-x)(1-2x) &= - (2x-1)x(1-x) \end{aligned}$$

Note that as  $I$  is generated by the elements  $(1-x)y, y(1-x)$  for  $y \in V$ , we have  $D(R) \subset I$ , so  $D$  is compatible with the  $I$ -adic filtration and  $D=0$  on  $R/I$ . Let's compute  $D$  on  $I/I^2$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 D(y(1-x)) &= Dy(1-x) - yDx \\
 &= (y - xyx - \frac{3}{2}(\cancel{x}(1-x)y + \cancel{y}(1-x)\cancel{x}))(1-x) \\
 &\quad \cancel{(y - xyx - \frac{3}{2}(x(1-x)y + y(1-x)x))} - yx(1-x)(1-2x) \\
 &= (y - xyx)(1-x) + yx(1-x)(2\cancel{x}-1) + 1 \\
 &= (y - xyx + yx)(1-x) \\
 &= y(1-x) + (1-x)yx(1-x) \\
 &= y(1-x)
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly

$$\begin{aligned}
 D((1-x)y) &= (1-x)\left(y - xyx - \frac{3}{2}(\cancel{x}(1-x)y + \cancel{y}(1-x)\cancel{x})\right) \\
 &\quad + (2x-1)x(1-x)y \\
 &= (1-x)\left(y - xyx + (2x-1)xy\right) \\
 &= (1-x)\left(y - xyx + xy\right) \\
 &= (1-x)y - (1-x)xy(1-x) = (1-x)y
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $D=1$  on  $I/I^2$ , and we get the required SDR equivalence of  $\hat{R}$  with  $R/I$ .

Let's describe this flow in the commutative case. We have

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{y} &= y - yx^2 - 3yx(1-x) \\ &= y(1-x^2 - 3x + 3x^2) \\ &= y(1-3x+2x^2) = y(1-x)(1-2x) \\ \dot{x} &= x(1-x)(1-2x).\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\dot{y}}{\dot{x}} = \frac{y}{x}, \quad \frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dx}{x}$$

$\log y = \log x + C$ ,  $y = Cx$ . (Here we are thinking) in terms of a plane. Thus the flow takes place on the lines through the origin, and is essentially determined by what happens on the  $x$  line. We've seen that  $x=0, \frac{1}{2}, 1$  are fix pts, and the motion goes from 0 and 1 towards  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Tomorrow we must work out the relation of the ~~one constructed~~ above derivation and the one constructed for  $RA \rightarrow R_5 A$ :

$$D_a = [d_a, Y] - \frac{1}{2} [e_a Y, Y]$$

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Consider now with a change of notation the map  $RA \rightarrow R_S A$  where  $S = \mathbb{C}[e]$  and  $A = \tilde{A}$ . Recall that we have the derivation of  $RA (= \mathfrak{I}^+ A \text{ wrt } e)$  given by  $D_a = [da, Y] - \frac{1}{2} [[a, Y], Y]$

where  $Y = \frac{1}{2} F dF = (2e-1)de = ede - e^\perp de = ede - dee$ . Let us calculate  $D_a$  for  $a \in A$  i.e.  $ae = ea = a$ . Observe first that

- 1)  $dea = da - eda = e^\perp da$
- 2)  $de^2 a = dee^\perp da = ededa$
- 3)  $da e = da - ade$

$$\begin{aligned} [da, Y] &= da(2e-1)de - (2e-1)deda \\ &= -\check{da}\check{de} + 2(\check{da}-\check{ade})de + (1-2e)\check{deda} \end{aligned}$$

$$[da, Y] = dade + (1-2e)deda - 2a de^2$$

$$[a, Y] = a(ede - e^\perp de) - (de^\perp - dee)a = ade + dea$$

$$[[a, Y], Y] = [ade + dea, ede - dee]$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (ade + dea) ede - (ade + dea) dee \\ &\quad - ade (ade + dea) + dee (ade + dea) \\ &= deade - ade^2 - ade^2 - e deda \end{aligned}$$

$$= 2e^\perp da de - e de da - ade^2$$

$$[da, Y] = dade + (1-2e)deda - 2ade^2$$

$$\frac{1}{2}[[a, Y], Y] = e^{-1}dade - \frac{1}{2}ededa - \frac{1}{2}ade^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore Da &= [da, Y] - \frac{1}{2}[[a, Y], Y] \\ &= e dade + \left(1 - \frac{3}{2}e\right)deda - \frac{3}{2}ade^2\end{aligned}$$

On the other hand recall the formula with  $x = pe$ ,  $y = pa$ :

$$Dy = y - xyx - \frac{3}{2}(x-x^2)y + y(x-x^2)$$

In this situation using  $RA = s^t A$  with  $\circ$  we get

$$\begin{aligned}Da &= a - (eoaoe) - \frac{3}{2} \left( \underbrace{(e-coe)}_{de^2} \circ a + a \circ \underbrace{(e-coe)}_{de^2} \right) \\ &= a - (eoaoe) - \frac{3}{2} \left( \underbrace{dc^2a}_{ededa} + ade^2 \right)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}eoaoe &= (a - deda) \circ e = (a - dade) - \underbrace{dedae}_{da - ade} \\ &= a - dade - deda + \underbrace{dedae}_{e^{\perp} da}\end{aligned}$$

$$= a - edade - deda$$

$$\therefore Da = edade + deda - \frac{3}{2}ededa - \frac{3}{2}ade^2$$

$$= edade + \left(1 - \frac{3}{2}e\right)deda - \frac{3}{2}ade^2$$

which agrees with the above.

Observation: Recall that the derivation

$$Dy = y - xyx - \frac{3}{2}(x-x^2)y + y(x-x^2)$$

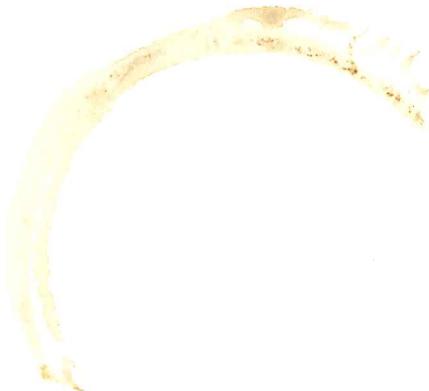
is the special case  $t=1/2$  of the derivation

$$D_t y = y - xyx - (1+t)(x-x^2)y - (2-t)y(x-x^2)$$

which we found on page 732. These differ by

$$\begin{aligned} (D - D_t) y &= \left(t - \frac{1}{2}\right) \{(x-x^2)y - y(x-x^2)\} \\ &= \left(t - \frac{1}{2}\right) [x-x^2, y] \end{aligned}$$

which is an inner derivation. Thus the liftings for different  $t$  should be conjugate up to inner automorphisms.



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Connections on a bimodule appear to be more involved than I thought.

Suppose we have an  $A$ -bimodule  $E$ .

Think of  $E$  as corresponding to a vector bundle (non-commutative) whose algebra is

$T_A(E)$ . In the commutative situation  $S_A(E)$  is the algebra corresponding to the vector bundle  $E^*$ . Now a connection in  $E$  allows one to lift vector fields on (the variety of)  $A$  to vector fields on  $E^*$ . In other words it lifts derivations on  $A$  to derivations on  $S_A(E)$ .

Let's study the non-commutative analogue.

To simplify suppose  $A$  quasi-free and  $E$  a projective  $A$ -bimodule, so that we know  $R = T_A(E)$  is quasi-free. We have the exact sequence of  $R$ -bimodules,

$$\ast \quad 0 \longrightarrow R \otimes_A \Omega_A \otimes_A R \longrightarrow \Omega^1 R \longrightarrow \Omega_A^1 R \longrightarrow 0$$

$$R \otimes_A E \otimes_A R$$

Since the kernel at the left in general is  $\text{Tor}_1^A(R, R)$ , which is zero in our case. ~~Consider~~ Let us consider derivations with values in  $R$ -bimodules. To be able to extend such derivations on  $A$  to ones on  $R$  means the above sequence splits.

Notice that  $R$  is graded, hence so is the above sequence. We want to have a splitting of the sequence  $\ast$ , which means an  $A$ -bimodule lifting of  $M$  into  $\Omega^1 R$ . Supposing the grading preserved, we want to split the  $A$ -bimodule

sequence which is the degree one part relative to the grading. This is

$$0 \rightarrow E \otimes_{A^{\Omega}} \Omega^1 A \xrightarrow{\oplus} (\Omega^1 R)_{(1)} \longrightarrow E \rightarrow 0$$

$$\Omega^1 A \otimes_A E$$

We can check this by looking at the degree 1 part of

$$0 \rightarrow R \otimes_A \Omega^1 A \otimes_A R \longrightarrow R \otimes R \longrightarrow R \otimes_A R \rightarrow 0$$

which is

$$0 \rightarrow E \otimes_A \Omega^1 A \longrightarrow E \otimes A \longrightarrow E \rightarrow 0$$

$$\oplus$$

$$\Omega^1 A \otimes_A E \qquad \qquad \qquad A \otimes E \qquad \qquad \qquad \oplus$$

$$E$$

Thus  $(\Omega^1 R)_{(1)} = \text{Ker} \left\{ \begin{matrix} E \otimes A \\ \oplus \\ A \otimes E \end{matrix} \xrightarrow{m_A + m_E} E \right\}$

Let's check further by considering a derivation  $D: A \rightarrow M$ , where  $M$  is an  $R$ -bimodule. To extend  $D$  to  $R$  we need to define  $D\xi$  for  $\xi$  on  $E$  such that

$$D(a\xi) = Da\xi + aD\xi$$

$$D(\xi a) = \xi Da + D\xi a$$

or better

$$D(a_1 \xi a_2) = Da_1 \xi a_2 + a_1 D\xi a_2 + a_1 \xi Da_2$$

Let's review. We have  $R = T_A(E)$   
and we are interested in the degree  
one part of

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 R \otimes_A S^1 A \otimes_A R & \longrightarrow & R \otimes R & \longrightarrow & R \otimes_A R & \longrightarrow 0 \\
 \parallel & & \cup & & \cup & \\
 R \otimes_A S^1 A \otimes_A R & \longrightarrow & S^1 R & \longrightarrow & S^1_A R & \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \uparrow m_r + m_e & & \uparrow 1+1 & \\
 0 \longrightarrow & E \otimes_A S^1 A & \xrightarrow{\text{fr} \otimes \text{fr}} & E \otimes A & \xrightarrow{m_r + m_e} & E & \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & \oplus & & \oplus & & \oplus & \\
 & S^1 A \otimes_A E & & A \otimes E & & E & \\
 & \parallel & & \cup & & \cup (-) & \\
 0 \longrightarrow & (\bullet) & \longrightarrow & S^1 R_{(1)} & \longrightarrow E & \longrightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

I am interested in splitting the bottom sequence  
of  $A$ -bimodules. Observe that the class of the  
bottom sequence lies in

$$\text{Ext}^1(E, \begin{matrix} E \otimes_A S^1 A \\ \oplus \\ S^1 A \otimes_A E \end{matrix}) = \text{Ext}^1(E, E \otimes_A S^1 A) \oplus \text{Ext}^1(E, S^1 A \otimes_A E)$$

and it should correspond to the difference of the  
extensions  $[m_r] [m_e]$  in the Baer sense.

This should mean that to split this extension  
is the same as splitting both the  $m_r$  and  $m_e$   
extensions. Thus a lifting for  $S^1 R_{(1)} \rightarrow E$  should  
be equivalent to a pair  $\nabla_r, \nabla_e$  consisting of  
~~right~~ right and ~~left~~ left ~~connections~~ connections  
on  $E$ .

Let's check this is so. We have  $d: E \rightarrow S^1 R_{(1)}$   
given by  $d\{ = \{ \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes \}$ . Assume we have  
a lifting  $\lambda: E \rightarrow S^1 R_{(1)}$  and define  $\nabla_r, \nabla_e$  by

$$\otimes \quad \xi \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes \xi = 1(\xi) + j_e \nabla_e \xi + j_r \nabla_r \xi$$

Apply to  $a\xi$  and subtract  $a$  times this:

$$a\xi \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes a\xi = 1(a\xi) + j_e \nabla_e(a\xi) + j_r \nabla_r(a\xi)$$

$$a\xi \otimes 1 - a \otimes \xi = a1(\xi) + a j_e \nabla_e(\xi) + a j_r \nabla_r(\xi)$$

$$\underbrace{(a \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes a)}_{j_e(da\xi)} \xi = j_e(\nabla_e(a\xi) - a \nabla_e \xi) + j_r(\nabla_r(a\xi) - a \nabla_r \xi)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} \nabla_e(a\xi) &= a \nabla_e \xi + da\xi \\ \nabla_r(a\xi) &= a \nabla_r \xi \end{aligned}$$

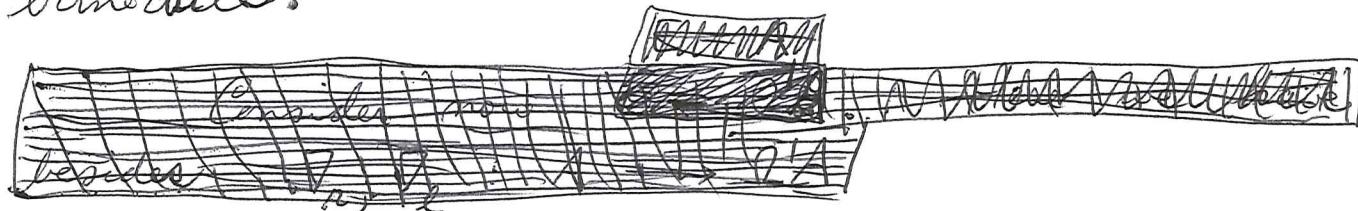
Similarly applying  $\otimes$  to  $\xi a$  and subtracting  $\otimes a$  gives

$$\nabla_l(\xi a) = (\nabla_l \xi) a \quad \boxed{\text{scribble}}$$

$$\nabla_r(\xi a) = (\nabla_r \xi) a + \xi da$$

Thus  $\nabla_l$  is a left connection and  $\nabla_r$  is a right connection.

Thus it would seem that the good definition of connection in the bimodule  $E$  is a pair consisting of a left and right connection. If a left connection forces  $E$  to be left projective and then if a right connection means that  $E$  must be a projective bimodule.



Consider the bimodule  $E = A$ , and suppose given a connection on it consisting of

$$\nabla_r : A \longrightarrow A \otimes_A \Omega^1 A = \Omega^1 A$$

$$\nabla_e : A \longrightarrow \Omega^1 A \otimes_A A = \Omega^1 A$$

Besides these operators we also have  $d: A \rightarrow \Omega^1 A$ .

Observe that if  $\nabla_r$  is a right connection then  $d - \nabla_r$  is a left conn.

$$(d - \nabla_r)(aa_1) = daa_1 + ada_1 - a\nabla_r a_1 \\ = a(d - \nabla_r)a_1 + daa_1$$

$$(d - \nabla_r)(a_1 a) = \boxed{da_1 a + a_1 da - (\nabla_r a_1) a - a_1 \nabla_r a} \\ = da_1 a + a_1 da - (\nabla_r a_1) a - a_1 \nabla_r a \\ = (d - \nabla_r)a$$

Notice also that the difference of two right connections is a central element of  $\Omega^1 A$ :

$$da = [a, \nabla_r] \quad da = [a, \nabla'_r]$$

$$\Rightarrow [a, \nabla_r] - [\nabla'_r] = 0.$$

Thus a connection  $(\nabla_r, \nabla_l)$  on  $A$  is equivalent to a right connection together with a central element of  $\Omega^1 A$ , where

$$\nabla_l = d - \nabla_r - \text{[ ]}$$

Next consider the bimodule  $\Omega^1 A$ . Given  $(\nabla_r, \nabla_l)$  we again have  $\nabla_r, \nabla_l, d: \Omega^1 A \rightarrow \Omega^2 A$   
In this case  $d + \nabla_r$  is a left-connection



$$(d + \nabla_r)(a \xi)$$

$$= da\xi + ad\xi + a\nabla_r \xi = a(d + \nabla_r)\xi + da\xi$$

$$(d + \nabla_r)(\xi a) = d\xi a - \xi da + (\nabla_r \xi)a + \xi da \\ = (d + \nabla_r)(\xi) a$$

Thus the difference

$$\delta + \nabla_r - \nabla_e : \Omega^1 A \rightarrow \Omega^2 A$$

is a bimodule map. Maybe this is the analogue of torsion.

Consider now what it means for the torsion to be zero. It means simply that

$$(\nabla_r - \nabla_e)(da) = 0$$

Thus torsion-free connections correspond to the lifting homomorphisms  $A \rightarrow RA/IA^2$ .

~~The last three are hard to understand~~

Actually we have worked before with  $\Omega^1 R_{(A)}$  in the case  $E = \Omega^1 A$ . In this case  $R = T_A(\Omega^1 A) = \Omega A$  and  $\Omega^1 R_{(A)}$  we found to be isomorphic to  $A \otimes \bar{A} \otimes A \oplus \Omega^2 A$ . (Sept 1989 p 66). This maps onto  $\Omega^1 A = E$  via the obvious surjection  $A \otimes \bar{A} \otimes A \rightarrow \Omega^1 A$ . So a lifting of  $\Omega^1 A$  back into  $\Omega^1 R_{(A)}$  is equivalent to a lifting into  $A \otimes \bar{A} \otimes A$  and a bimodule map  $\Omega^1 A \rightarrow \Omega^2 A$ . This checks the above.

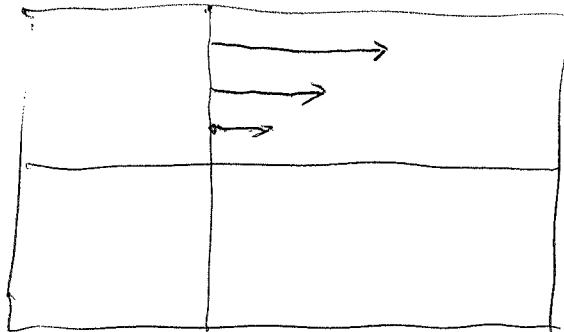
Next we want to consider the exponential map for  $A$  equipped with a (say torsion-free) connection. The algebra describing the tangent bundle  $TM$  is  $S(\Omega^1_A)$  in the comm. case. In the non-comm. case we look at  $T_A(\Omega^1 A) = \Omega A$ . A connection should give a flow on the tangent bundle, because a point of the tangent bundle is a tangent vector  $\overset{\text{on } M}{\omega}$  which can be lifted horizontally

thus giving a vector field on the tangent bundle. So we are after a derivation on  $T_A(\Omega^1 A) = \Omega A$  extending  $d$  on  $A$ . Why?

First note that the inclusion homom.  $A \hookrightarrow \Omega A$  corresp. geometrically to the projection  $TM \rightarrow M$ , and we know the vector field on  $TM$  when projected is a tautological thing. This is the tautological field of tangent vectors over  $M$  parametrized by  $TM$  we encountered with variation maps.

Next the augmentation  $\Omega A \rightarrow$  corresponds to the inclusion given by the zero section  $M \rightarrow TM$ , which is the fixpts for the "geodesic flow".

Also the geodesic flow is a "shear" flow



(parabolic as opposed to our derivations with eigenvalues  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .)

So the project is to find the derivation on  $T_A(\Omega^1 A) = \Omega A$  extending  $d$ . Call this geodesic flow derivation  $D$ . Then  $D_a = da$  and we need  $D(da)$ .

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Let there be given a connection  $(\nabla_r, \nabla_e)$  in the  $A$ -bimodule  $E$ . We know that  $E$  is a projective bimodule, hence  $R = T_A(E)$  is a projective  $A$ -bimodule except for the  $A$  in degree 0. So we have an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow R \otimes_A \Omega^1 A \otimes_A R \longrightarrow \Omega^1 R \longrightarrow \begin{matrix} \Omega^1_A R \\ \parallel \\ R \otimes_A E \otimes_A R \end{matrix} \rightarrow 0$$

I claim this sequence of  $R$ -bimodules has a splitting determined by  $(\nabla_r, \nabla_e)$ . Define a derivation  $D: R \rightarrow R \otimes_A \Omega^1 A \otimes_A R$  by

$$D a = da \quad a \in A$$

$$D \xi = (\nabla_r \xi + \xi \nabla_e)$$

$$\in (E \otimes_A \Omega^1 A \otimes_A A) \otimes_A (\Omega^1 A \otimes_A E) \subset R \otimes_A \Omega^1 A \otimes_A R$$

To do calculations let us suppress the tensor signs. Thus we identify  $R \otimes_A \Omega^1 A \otimes_A R$  with its image  $\boxed{R}$   $dA R \subset \Omega^1 R$ . Now we check  $D$  is compatible with the  $A$ -bimodule structure on  $E$ :

$$\begin{aligned} D(a_1 \xi a_2) &= \nabla_r(a_1 \xi a_2) + \nabla_e(a_1 \xi a_2) \\ &= a_1 (\nabla_r \xi a_2 + \xi da_2) + (a_1 \nabla_e \xi + da_1 \xi) a_2 \\ &= a_1 \xi \underbrace{da_2}_{D a_2} + a_1 \underbrace{(\nabla_r \xi + \nabla_e \xi)}_{D \xi} a_2 + \underbrace{da_1 \xi}_{D a_1} a_2 \end{aligned}$$

Exponential map. Suppose we have  $(\nabla_r, \nabla_e)$  given for  $E = \Omega^1 A$ . Then we use this connection to lift the derivation  $d: A \rightarrow \Omega^1 A = R$ . Thus we have a derivation  $X$  of  $R$  with values in  $R$  such that  $X_a = da$  and such that

$$X(\xi) = (\nabla_r + \nabla_e)(\xi)$$

Here  $\nabla_r$  stands for

$$\underbrace{\Omega^1 A}_E \longrightarrow \underbrace{\Omega^1 A \otimes_A \Omega^1 A}_E = \Omega^2 A \subset R$$

$$\xi \otimes da \longmapsto \xi da$$

Recall from yesterday that the torsion is

$$d + \nabla_r - \nabla_e : \Omega^1 A \rightarrow \Omega^2 A$$

which is a bimodule map determined by

$$(d + \nabla_r - \nabla_e)(da) = \nabla_r da - \nabla_e da.$$

The derivation  $X$  is supposed to give rise to the ~~parallel~~ geodesic flow on the tangent bundle. We have

$$X_a = da$$

$$X(da) = \nabla_r da + \nabla_e da$$

Thus it depends only on the sum  ~~$\nabla_r + \nabla_e$~~

$$\nabla_r d + \nabla_e d : A \rightarrow \Omega^2 A. \quad \text{Let}$$

$$\overline{\nabla}_e = \nabla_r + d - \tau$$

where  $\tau$  is the torsion. Then set

$$\nabla'_r = \nabla_r - \frac{\tau}{2} \quad \nabla'_e = \nabla_e + \frac{\tau}{2}$$

and we have  $\nabla'_e = \nabla'_r + d$  so  $(\nabla'_r, \nabla'_e)$

is a connection with zero torsion. Moreover

$$\nabla'_a + \nabla'_e = \nabla_a + \nabla_e$$

Thus from the viewpoint of geodesics we can suppose the torsion is zero, whence  $\nabla_a, \nabla_e$  are determined by the 1-cochain

$$\nabla_a da = \nabla_e da = \phi a$$

such that  $-(\delta\phi)(a_1, a_2) = da_1 da_2$ .

The geodesic flow is then

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} X_a &= da \\ X(da) &= 2\phi a \end{aligned}}$$

Check this is a well-defined derivation ~~on~~ on  $\Omega A$ .

$$\blacksquare X(\bullet da_1 a_2) = X(da_1 a_2 + a_1 da_2)$$

$$= Xda_1 a_2 + da_1 da_2 + da_1 da_2 + a_1 Xda_2$$

$$\text{i.e. } \phi(a_1 a_2) = \phi a_1 a_2 + da_1 da_2 + a_1 \phi a_2.$$

The idea is now to use the 1-parameter group of automorphisms  $e^{tX}$  which should be defined on  $\widehat{\Omega} A$ . This is clear because we have  $X(A) \subset \widehat{\Omega} A$   $X(\Omega^n A) = X(A \widehat{\Omega} A)$   $\subset \widehat{\Omega}^2 A + A \phi A \subset \Omega^2 A$ . Thus  $X(\Omega^n A) \subset \Omega^{n+1} A$  for all  $n$ .

Let  $N$  be the derivation of  $\Omega A$  given by  $N\omega = |\omega| \omega$ . Then

$$[N, X] = X$$

since  $X$  has degree 1.

I want to look at ~~a~~ a symmetric

exponential map which associates  
to a tangent vector  $v$  at  $x$  the  
pair  $\exp_x(\frac{1}{2}v)$  and  $\exp_x(-\frac{1}{2}v)$ .

Define a homom.

$$QA \xrightarrow{u_t} \widehat{\Omega} A \quad \text{by}$$

$$\partial_a \longmapsto e^{tX} a$$

$$\partial'_a \longmapsto e^{-tX} a$$

$$\text{i.e. } pa \longmapsto \cosh(tX)a$$

$$qa \longmapsto \sinh(tX)a$$

These homomorphism for different  $A$  are related  
by the rescaling automorphism  $c^N$  of  $\widehat{\Omega} A$   
where  $c$  is scalar:

$$c^N e^{tX} a = e^{ctX} a$$

so we might as well take  $t = 1$ . It  
seems that there is only one <sup>symmetric</sup> exponential map  
isomorphism  $\widehat{QA} \xrightarrow{\sim} \widehat{\Omega} A$  around.

A problem: On  $\widehat{\Omega} A$  we have the  
derivations  $N, X$ . Find what they correspond to  
on  $\widehat{QA}$ . Recall that we have a derivation  $D$   
on  $QA$ , which might correspond to  $\frac{1}{2}N$ , given by

$Da = \phi a$
$D(da) = \frac{1}{2} da + d\phi a$

The hope would be commutativity in

$$\begin{array}{ccc} QA & \xrightarrow{u} & \widehat{\Omega} A \\ 2D \downarrow & & \downarrow N \\ QA & \xrightarrow{u} & \widehat{\Omega} A \end{array}$$

Let's calculate for  $A = \mathbb{C}[F]$  where

$$\phi(F) = -\frac{1}{2} F dF^2$$

We have  $X(F) = dF$

$$X^2(F) = X(dF) = 2\phi(F) = -FdF^2$$

$$X(dF^2) = X(dF)dF + dF X(dF)$$

$$= -FdF^3 + dF(-FdF^2)$$

$$= -FdF^3 + FdF^3 = 0$$

$$X(FdF) = dF^2 + F(-FdF^2) = 0$$

so we have

$$XF = dF$$

$$X^2F = -FdF^2$$

$$X^3F = -dF^3$$

$$X^4F = FdF^4$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore e^{XF} &= F + dF - \frac{1}{2} F dF^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{3!} dF^3 + \frac{1}{4!} F dF^4 + \\ &= F \cos(dF) + \sin(dF). \end{aligned}$$

So  $\overset{\text{OF}}{u : \widehat{F+dF} \longmapsto F \cos(dF) + \sin(dF)}$   
 $: F-dF \longmapsto F \cos(dF) - \sin(dF)$   
 $: F \longmapsto F \cos(dF)$   
 $: dF \longmapsto \sin(dF)$

Check that  $u(\text{OF})$  is an involution.

$$\begin{aligned} (F \cos(dF) + \sin(dF))^2 &= F \cos(dF) F \cos(dF) + (\sin(dF))^2 \\ &\quad + F \cos(dF) \sin(dF) + \sin(dF) F \cos(dF) \\ &= (\cos(dF))^2 + (\sin(dF))^2 = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Now  $QA$  is generated by  $F, dF$  subject to

$$F \circ F = 1 - dF \circ dF \quad F \circ dF + dF \circ F = 1$$

$QA$  is generated by  $F, dF$  with relations

$$F^2 = 1, \quad FdF + dFF = 0$$

Let's compute  $u^{-1}$ . We have

$$u(dF) = \sin(dF)$$

Now  $u^{-1}$  is a homomorphism from ordinary to Fedosov product, so

$$\begin{aligned} dF &= u^{-1} \sin(dF) = \sin(u^{-1}(dF)) \\ \therefore \boxed{u^{-1}(dF)} &= \arcsin(dF) \end{aligned}$$

We have also

$$u(F) = F \cos(dF)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } \boxed{F} &= u^{-1}(F \cos(dF)) \\ &= u^{-1}(F) \circ u^{-1}(\cos(dF)) \quad \text{• unrec.} \\ &= u^{-1}(F) \circ \cos(\arcsin(dF)) \\ &= u^{-1}(F) \cdot \sqrt{1-dF^2} \end{aligned}$$

giving

$$\boxed{u^{-1}(F) = F(1-dF^2)^{-1/2}}.$$

This checks as it is  $F(F \circ F)^{-1/2}$ , which gives the involution lifting  $F$  in  $A$ .

Now find the derivation on  $\overset{\wedge}{Q}A$  corresp. to  $N$  on  $\overset{\wedge}{\Omega}A$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 F & \xrightarrow{u} & F \cos(dF) \\
 & & \downarrow N \\
 F(1-dF^2)^{-1/2} \arcsin(dF) & \xleftarrow[\times dF]{u^{-1}} & -F dF \sin(dF) \\
 & & \downarrow N \\
 dF & \xrightarrow{} & \sin(dF) \\
 & & \downarrow N \\
 \arcsin(dF) \cos(\arcsin(dF)) & \xleftarrow[""]{u^{-1}} & dF \cos dF \\
 \arcsin(dF) \sqrt{1-dF^2} & & \text{Real Mess.}
 \end{array}$$

N like  $dF \frac{\partial}{\partial(dF)}$

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Calculations pertaining to isomorphisms  
 $\hat{\mathbb{Q}}A \simeq \hat{\Omega}^+ A$  for  $A = \mathbb{C}[F]$ .

There are three isomorphisms which we have constructed.

1) Symmetrize exponential map. The geodesic flow on  $\Omega A$  associated to the connection with  $D(df) = -\frac{1}{2}FdF^2$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} X(F) &= df \\ X(df) &= -\boxed{\frac{1}{2}} FdF^2 \end{aligned} \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} X(a) = da \\ X(da) = 2\phi a \end{array} \right)$$

and we have  $e^{XF} = F \cos(df) + \sin(df)$   
so the symmetrized exponential isomorphism is

$$\hat{\mathbb{Q}}A \xrightarrow{\sim} \hat{\Omega}A$$

$$F + df \longmapsto F \cos df \pm \sin df$$

2) Consider the derivation obtained from YM considerations  $Da = \phi a$   $DF = -\frac{1}{2}FdF^2$   
 $D(da) = \frac{1}{2}da + d\phi a$   $D(df) = \frac{1}{2}df(1-dF^2)$

$$\text{Here } D\{(1-dF^2)^{-1/2}\} = \frac{1}{2}df^2(1-dF^2)^{-1/2}$$

$$D\{F(1-dF^2)^{-1/2}\} = 0$$

$$D\{df(1-dF^2)^{-1/2}\} = \frac{1}{2}(df(1-dF^2)^{-1/2})$$

$$\text{Thus } \hat{\mathbb{Q}}A \xrightarrow{\sim} \hat{\Omega}A$$

$$F(1-dF^2)^{-1/2} \leftrightarrow F$$

$$df(1-dF^2)^{-1/2} \leftrightarrow df$$

$$F \leftrightarrow \boxed{F}(1+dF^2)^{-1/2}$$

$$df \leftrightarrow df(1+dF^2)^{-1/2}$$

3) The "affine" version (affine in the sense of our viewpoint about  $R(A \times B)$  being a join). Here  $RA = \mathbb{C}[\varepsilon]$ ,  $\varepsilon \in F$  and we use the vector field like  $\varepsilon \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$  but such that  $z = \pm 1$  are fixpoints. Thus for  $D$  corresponding to the eigenvalues  $0, 1$  are  $\tilde{z} = z(1 - (1 - z^2))^{-1/2}$

so  $D = (z - \tilde{z}) \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$ . Now use the Fedosov model for  $RA$ , and we have

$$DF = F - \tilde{F} = F(1 - (1 - dF^2)^{-1/2})$$

and  $D(F - \tilde{F}) = F - \tilde{F}$ . Also

$$F - \tilde{F} = F(-\frac{1}{2} dF^2) \equiv -\frac{1}{2} F dF^2 \pmod{IA}$$

so we have ~~isom.~~ the isom.

$$\hat{RA} \xrightarrow{\sim} \hat{\Omega}^+ A$$

$$\tilde{F} = F(1 - dF^2)^{-1/2} \leftrightarrow F$$

$$F - \tilde{F} \leftrightarrow -\frac{1}{2} F dF^2$$

$$F \leftrightarrow F(1 - \frac{1}{2} dF^2)$$

$$dF^2 = 1 - F \circ F \leftrightarrow dF^2 / (1 - \frac{1}{4} dF^2)$$

Notice that it would be natural to extend to  $QA$  by setting

$$dF \longleftrightarrow dF(1 - \frac{1}{4} dF^2)^{+1/2}$$

and then we have three different isomorphisms

$$\hat{Q}A \xrightarrow{\sim} \hat{S}A$$

$$\begin{cases} F \\ dF \end{cases} \xrightarrow{\quad} \begin{cases} F \cos(dF) \\ F \sin(dF) \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} F \\ dF \end{cases} \xrightarrow{\quad} \begin{cases} F(1+dF^2)^{-1/2} \\ dF(1+dF^2)^{-1/2} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} F \\ dF \end{cases} \xrightarrow{\quad} \begin{cases} F(1-\frac{1}{2}dF^2) \\ dF(1-\frac{1}{4}dF^2)^{1/2} \end{cases}$$

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Recall the result that for  $A$  separable there is a canonical bimodule lifting  $A \rightarrow A \otimes A$ . Let's review the "computational" proof. First suppose  $A = \text{End}(V) = V \otimes V^*$ . Then

$$A \otimes A = V \otimes V^* \otimes V \otimes V^*$$

with left mult. given by the left mult. of  $A$  on the left copy of  $V$ , and right mult. given by right mult. of  $A$  on the right copy of  $V^*$ .

It is clear that

$$(A \otimes A)^{\dagger} = \sum \alpha_i \otimes (V^* \otimes V) \otimes \beta_i^*$$

The multiplication map  $\circ$  is

$$\alpha_i \otimes \sum_{jk} \alpha_{jk} (v_j^* \otimes v_k) \otimes \beta_i^* \mapsto \text{tr}(\alpha) \cdot 1_A$$

So bimodule liftings are given by matrices  $\alpha$  such that  $\text{tr}(\alpha) = 1$ . Canonical choice is  $\alpha_{jk} = \frac{1}{n} \delta_{jk}$ , whence the central elt is

$$z = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{ij=1}^n e_{ij} \otimes e_{ji}^*$$

where  $e_{ij} = v_i \otimes v_j^*$

Note that this  $z \in A \otimes A$  is invariant under the flip  $\sigma$  of  $A \otimes A$ .

I recall also that the central  $z \in (A \otimes A)^{\dagger}$  with  $m(z) = 1$  are described by  $m\sigma(z) \in 1 + [A, A]$ . So the canonical  $z$  above is the  $z$  with  $m(z) = 1$ . This means that if  $\mathbf{x} = \sum x_i \otimes y_i$ , then  $\sum y_i x_i = 1$ .

Prop: A separable  $\Rightarrow \exists! z \in (A \otimes A)^{\dagger}$  such that  $m(z) = 1$  and  $\sigma z = z$ . 156

Note that if  $\boxed{z} z = \sum x_i \otimes y_i = \sum y_i \otimes x_i$  then we have as well as  $\sum x_i a \otimes y_i = \sum_i x_i \otimes a y_i$   $\boxed{\sum a x_i \otimes y_i = \sum x_i \otimes a y_i}$ .

Proof. We have seen this is true for a matrix algebra, so we only have to see what happens with respect to a central idempotent  $e$ . We have  $A = eA \oplus e^{\perp}A$ . Now

$$(A \otimes A)^{\dagger} = (eA \otimes eA)^{\dagger} \oplus (e^{\perp}A \otimes e^{\perp}A)^{\dagger}$$

so a central element in  $A \otimes A$  is equivalent to central elements in  $eA \otimes eA$ ,  $e^{\perp}A \otimes e^{\perp}A$ . The rest is clear.

I'm missing a non computational proof that  ~~$\boxed{z}$~~   $z = \sum x_i \otimes y_i \in (A \otimes A)^{\dagger}$  with  $\sum x_i y_i = \boxed{1}$  and  $m \circ z = \sum y_i x_i = 1$  necessarily satisfies  $\tau z = z$ .  $\blacksquare$

An interesting point is that this canonical element  $z$  defines an isomorphism  $A = A^*$  as  ~~$\boxed{vector spaces}$~~  vector spaces firstly, and secondly as bimodules. Recall that if  $z \in A \otimes A$  and if  $V, W$  are the smallest subspaces of  $A$  such that  $z \in V \otimes W$ , then  $V$  and  $W$  are naturally dual with  $z$  playing the role of the identity element in  $V \otimes V^*$ . Moreover  $a z = z a$   $\blacksquare$   $a \in A$  means

$V$  is a left ideal,  $W$  is a right ideal and the isom  $W = V^*$  is compatible with ~~the~~ the action of  $A$ . Similarly if  $\sigma z$  is central ~~is~~  $V$  is a right ideal,  $W$  is a left ideal and  $W = V^*$  as  $A$ -modules. Thus when both  $z, \sigma z$  are central  $W, V$  are ideals and  $W = V^*$  as  $A$ -bimodules.

Now when  $m(z) = 1$ , we know from the calculations that ~~is~~  $V = W = A$ , so we have a canonical isomorphism  $A = A^*$  as  $A$ -bimodules.

Recall that  $A^*$  is the universal bimodule for traces. Thus there is a canonical trace on  $A$ . From the computation for matrices

$$z = \frac{1}{n} \sum e_{ij} \otimes e_{ji}$$

we conclude that the canonical trace is  $\frac{1}{n}$  times the ordinary matrix trace.

Further comments. If  $z = \sum x_i \otimes y_i \in (A \otimes A)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  such that  $\sum x_i y_i = 1$ , then

$$m \mapsto \sum x_i m y_i$$

is a projection of  $M$  onto  $M^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , and

$$m \mapsto \sum y_i m x_i$$

induces a lifting  $M^{\frac{1}{2}} \rightarrow M$ . When  $z = \sigma z$ , these two maps coincide.

The next topic to discuss is ~~whether~~ whether there is a canonical lifting  $\Omega^1 A \rightarrow A \otimes \bar{A} \otimes A$  when  $A$  is separable. Such a lifting is given by  $\phi: \bar{A} \rightarrow \Omega^2 A$  such that  $-(\delta \phi)(a_1, a_2) = da_1 d a_2$ , i.e.

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$\phi$  is a 1-cochain whose coboundary is  $d \circ d$ . There are two choices since we have  $\delta Y = d$ , ~~and~~  
i.e.  $[a, Y] = da$ , namely

$$d \circ d = \delta(Y \circ d) = -\delta(d \circ Y)$$

Thus we have  $\phi_1 a = -Yda$   
or  $\phi_2 a = daY$

e.g.  $-(\phi_2)(a_1, a_2) = d(a_1 a_2)Y - da_1 Y a_2 - a_1 da_2 Y$   
 $= da_1 [a_2, Y] = da_1 da_2$

Notice that  $\phi_1, \phi_2$  are cohomologous since

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(Y^2)(a) &= [a, Y^2] = [a, Y]Y + Y[a, Y] \\ &= (d \circ Y + Y \circ d)(a). \end{aligned}$$

Here's an approach. We have on  $A$  the ~~connection~~ connection given by  $(\nabla_r, \nabla_l)$ , where

$$\nabla_r 1 = Y \quad \nabla_l 1 = -Y.$$

This has torsion zero, so  $\nabla_l = d - \nabla_r$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_l a &= \nabla_l(a 1) = a \nabla_l 1 + da = da - aY \\ &= (d - \nabla_r)(a) \end{aligned}$$

We can extend  $\nabla_r$  to a right connection on  $\Omega^1 A$  by

$$\nabla_r(a_0 da_1) = -\nabla_r a_0 da_1$$

One can check this works, but note that it commutes with left multiplication, and also

$$\nabla_r(da) = -\nabla_r \cancel{1} da = -Yda$$

which we know is a 1-cochain  
whose coboundary is  $da_0 da_2$

similarly we can extend  $\nabla_e$  to a  
left connection on  $\Omega^1 A$  by

$$\nabla_l (da_0 a_1) = -da_0 \nabla_e a_1$$

This commutes with right mult. and

$$\nabla_l (da) = -da \nabla_l 1 = da Y$$

which is a 1-cochain having coboundary  $da_0 da_2$ .

Thus

$$\nabla_r (da) = -Y da$$

$$\nabla_l (da) = da Y$$

are the two candidates we have. The  
torsion of  $(\nabla_r, \nabla_l)$ , which is  $\nabla_l - d - \nabla_r$  is  
the bimodule map such that

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_l - d - \nabla_r)(da) &= da Y + Y da \\ &= [a, Y] Y + Y [a, Y] = [a, Y^2] \end{aligned}$$

which is a derivation as it should be.

Conclude: The canonical torsion-free  
connection on  $A$  for  $A$  separable seems ■  
■ not to give rise to a torsion-free connection  
on  $\Omega^1 A$ , but rather to a <sup>canonical</sup> connection with  
torsion.

In the example  $\mathbb{D}[F]$  one has  $Y = \frac{1}{2} F d F$

$Y^2 = -\frac{1}{4} dF^2$  and  $[F, Y^2] = 0$ , so in this  
case the torsion is zero.

Further comment. Observe

$$z = \frac{1}{n} \sum e_{ij} \otimes e_{ji}$$

gives  $A \rightarrow A \otimes A$ , hence

$$A = A \otimes_A A \longrightarrow (A \otimes A) \otimes_A (A \otimes A) = A^{\otimes 3}$$

$$\text{where } 1 \longmapsto 1 \otimes_A 1 \longmapsto \frac{1}{n^2} \sum (e_{ij} \otimes e_{ji}) \otimes_A (e_{ke} \otimes e_{ek})$$

$$= \frac{1}{n^2} \sum e_{ij} \otimes \underbrace{e_{ji} e_{ke}}_{\delta_{ik}} \otimes e_{ek}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i,j,l} e_{ij} \otimes e_{je} \otimes e_{li}$$

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Assume  $M^{\frac{1}{4}} \xrightarrow{\sim} M_{\frac{1}{4}}$  for all bimodules  $M$ . Consider  $A \otimes A$  as a bimodule for the internal structure where left & right mult. by  $a \in A$  are

$$a(a_1 \otimes a_2) = a_1 \otimes aa_2$$

$$(a_1 \otimes a_2)a = a_1 a \otimes a_2$$

Then we have an isomorphism

$$A \overset{\text{by internal}}{\otimes} A \xrightarrow{\sim} (A \overset{\frac{1}{4}}{\otimes} A)_{\text{internal}}$$

Denote the former  $A \overset{\frac{1}{4}}{\otimes} A = \{\sum x_i \otimes y_i \mid \sum x_i a \otimes y_i = \sum x_i \otimes ay_i\}$ .  
The latter is  $A \overset{A}{\otimes} A = A$ . So we get an  
~~isomorphism~~ isomorphism

⊕  $m: A \overset{\frac{1}{4}}{\otimes} A \xrightarrow{\sim} A$

which is a bimodule isomorphism for the external structures.

In particular there is a unique  $\sum x_i \otimes y_i \in A \overset{\frac{1}{4}}{\otimes} A$  such that  $\sum x_i y_i = 1$ , and since  $1$  is central in  $A$ , the fact that ⊕ is a bimodule isomorphism tells us that

$$\sum x_i \otimes y_i \in (A \overset{\frac{1}{4}}{\otimes} A)^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

i.e. this element is central for the external structure.

Now we want to show  $\sum y_i x_i = 1$ .

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The follows because  $\sum y_i x_i \in A^{\frac{1}{p}}$   
 and its image in  $A_{\frac{1}{p}}$  is  $\sum x_i y_i = 1$ .  
 Thus we win as  $A^{\frac{1}{p}} \xrightarrow{\sim} A_{\frac{1}{p}}$ .

Computationally, once we have  $\sum x_i \otimes y_i \in (A \otimes A)^{\frac{1}{p}}$  with  $\sum x_i y_i = 1$ , then  
 $m \mapsto \sum x_i m y_i$  projects  $M$  onto  $M^{\frac{1}{p}}$   
 and it kills  $[A, M]$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\sum y_i x_i &= \sum x_j (\sum y_i x_i) y_j \quad \sum y_i x_i \in A \\ &= \sum x_j (\sum x_i y_i) y_j \quad (\text{kills } [AM]) \\ &= \sum x_j y_j = 1.\end{aligned}$$

It follows from this and the norm  $\circledast$   
 that we have

$$\sum x_i \otimes y_i = \sum y_i \otimes x_i$$

$$\text{i.e. } \sigma z = z \quad \text{for } z = \sum x_i \otimes y_i.$$

Thus it seems that separability in characteristic zero ~~is~~ is <sup>effectively</sup> stronger than in char p. The way to express this is via the lemma  $M^{\frac{1}{p}} \xrightarrow{\sim} M_{\frac{1}{p}}$ . In characteristic p this means I think that the matrix algebras have degree  $\not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ .

Example:  $A = \mathbb{Q}[G]$ . Then  $z = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum g \otimes g^{-1}$

Another point: Capping with  $z$  gives a bimodule map  $A^* \rightarrow A$  which is an isomorphism. Why: If we choose  $z = \sum_{i,j} x_i \otimes y_j$ :

with  $n$  least, then we know

$x_i$  is a basis for a left ideal  $V \subset A$  and  $y_i$  is a basis for a right ideal  $W \subset A$ , and that we have an isomorphism of  $A$ -modules  $W = V^*$  such that  $z$  corresponds to the identity in  $V \otimes W = V \otimes V^*$ .

But the identity  $\sum y_i x_i = 1$  implies  $1 \in V$ , and  $V$  is a left ideal containing 1, etc.

So we have a canonical isomorphism  $A \cong A^*$ . Recall  $A^*$  is the universal bimodule with a trace. Thus on  $A$  we have a canonical trace  $\tau$  which is non-degenerate (the bilinear form  $\tau(xy)$  is non-degenerate).

It turns out that  $\tau$  is the trace on the regular representation. For example, consider  $A = \mathbb{C}[G]$ , where  $z = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum g \otimes g^{-1}$ . In general  $\tau \in A^*$  is the unique linear functional such that  $\sum x_i \tau(y_i) = 1$ . This gives  $\tau(g) = \begin{cases} 0 & g \neq 1 \\ |G| & g = 1. \end{cases}$

In the case of  $A = M_n \mathbb{C}$ , we have  $z = \frac{1}{n} \sum e_{ij} \otimes e_{ji}$  so the dual basis to  $\{e_{ij}\}$  is  $\{\frac{1}{n} e_{ji}\}$ , which means  $\tau(e_{ij}) = \frac{1}{n} \delta_{ij} = n \text{tr}(e_{ij})$ . Thus  $\tau = n \times \text{matrix trace}$ , so  $\tau = \text{trace of left mult. on } M_n \mathbb{C}$ .

In general suppose  $A$  finite diml and let  $\tau(a) = \text{trace left mult by } a$  on  $A$ . Assume that the bilinear form  $\tau(a_1 a_2)$  is non-degenerate. Let  $\{x_i\}$  be a basis for  $A$  and  $\{y_j\}$  the dual bases so that  $\tau(x_i y_j) = \delta_{ij}$ .

Consider  $z = \sum x_i \otimes y_i \in A \otimes A$ .

Certainly  $\sigma z = z$  because the quadratic form  $\tau(a, a)$  is symmetric.

Also  $a z = z a$ ,  $a(\sigma z) = (\sigma z)a$  should follow from the fact that  $\tau$  gives a bimodule isom  $A \xrightarrow{\sim} A^*$ . Let's check directly. Suppose given  $a \in A$ , let's find the matrix relative to the basis  $x_i$ . We have  $a x_i = \sum_j a_{ji} x_j$  so

$$\tau(y_j a x_i) = \tau(a x_i y_j) = a_{ji}$$

In particular  $\tau(a \sum_i x_i y_i) = \sum a_{ii} = \tau(a)$  for all  $a$ , so by non-degeneracy  $\sum x_i y_i = 1$ .

Note that in the case  $A = \mathbb{C}[G]$  with  $Y = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} g^{-1} dg = -\frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} dg g^{-1} = -\frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} dg g^{-1}$

we have for  $h \in G$  that

$$\begin{aligned} [h, Y^2] &= dh Y + Y dh \\ &= \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \neq h} (dh g^{-1} dg - dg g^{-1} dh) \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\Omega^2 A = \Omega^1 A \otimes \bar{A} = \bar{A} \otimes A \otimes \bar{A}$ , this will be nonzero once  $|G| \geq 3$ .

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For  $A$  separable we know any two liftings in a nilpotent extension are conjugate. The universal situation is ~~given by the~~ given by the two canonical maps  $A \xrightarrow{\theta} \hat{Q}A$ , so there is an invertible  $g$  in  $\hat{Q}A$  such that  $\theta^g = g\theta g^{-1}$ . The question is whether it is possible to construct  $g$  starting from  $Y \in \Omega^1 A$  such that  $da = [a, Y]$  for all  $a$ .

Again let us consider pairs of homomorphisms  $\theta, \bar{\theta} : A \xrightarrow{\text{reverse}} R$  and try to construct a flow which tends to move them together. The flow is given by a vector field which at  $\theta, \bar{\theta}$  gives a pair of derivations  $\dot{\theta}, \dot{\bar{\theta}}$  with respect to  $\theta, \bar{\theta}$  respectively. To first order (i.e. for square zero extensions) we have that  $\theta - \bar{\theta}$  is a derivation relative to  $\theta$ .  $\theta - \bar{\theta} = [\theta, Y] = (\theta, Y)$  and it has

$$\dot{\theta} = \theta + [Y, \theta] = (1+X)\theta(1+X)^{-1}$$

Thus we can take the flow

Thus it is an inner derivation. In the universal first order case we have  $(\theta - \bar{\theta})a = 2da = [\theta a, 2Y] = [\bar{\theta}a, 2Y]$ , so we ought to be decreasing  $\theta - \bar{\theta}$  using the reverse of a  $\theta$  flow such that  $\dot{\theta} - \dot{\bar{\theta}} = [\theta, Y(\theta, \bar{\theta})]$ , where  $Y(\theta, \bar{\theta})$  denotes the image of  $Y \in \Omega^1 A \subset QA$  under the homom.  $QA \rightarrow R$  associated to  $\theta, \bar{\theta}$ .

One possibility then is

$$\boxed{\dot{\theta}} = \circ$$

$$\dot{\bar{\theta}} = -[\bar{\theta}, Y(\theta, \bar{\theta})]$$

and a more symmetric possibility is

$$\dot{\theta} = [\theta, \frac{1}{2}Y(\theta, \bar{\theta})]$$

$$\dot{\bar{\theta}} = -[\bar{\theta}, \frac{1}{2}Y(\theta, \bar{\theta})]$$

This corresponds to the derivation  $D$  on  $QA$  given by

$$D(a+da) = [a+da, \frac{1}{2}Y]$$

$$D(a-da) = -[a-da, \frac{1}{2}Y]$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{1.2.}{\star} \\ & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} Da = [da, \frac{1}{2}Y]_+ = [da, \frac{1}{2}Y]_- \\ D(da) = [a, \frac{1}{2}Y]_+ = \frac{1}{2}[a, Y] - \frac{1}{2}\cancel{[da, dY]} \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{dad}Y + dYda \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{see 468 for signs} \end{array} \right. \end{aligned}$$

Recall that we had 2 choices for a 1-cochain  $\phi$  with  $(d\phi)(a_1, a_2) = da_1 da_2$  in the case of a separable algebra:  $-Yda$  and  $daY$ . The average is  $[da, \frac{1}{2}Y]_+ = \phi(a)$ . Then we ~~have~~ have  $d\phi = -\frac{1}{2}[da, dY]_+$ , so that the derivation ~~\*~~ has the form encountered before

$$Da = \phi a$$

$$D(da) = \frac{1}{2}da + d\phi a$$

Next we want to construct the inner automorphism conjugating  $\theta, \bar{\theta}$ . The derivation  $D$  gives rise to the 1-parameter group of automorphisms  $e^{tD}$  of  $\hat{Q}A$ .

The autom.  $e^{tD}$  corresponds to the pair of homom.

$\theta_t = e^{tD}\theta$ ,  $\bar{\theta}_t = e^{tD}\bar{\theta} : A \rightarrow \hat{Q}A$  which represent the evolution of  $\theta, \bar{\theta}$  in time. We have

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t \theta_t &= e^{tD} D\theta = e^{tD} [\theta, \frac{1}{2}Y] \\ &= [\theta_t, \frac{1}{2}Y_t] \quad \partial_t \bar{\theta}_t = -[\bar{\theta}_t, \frac{1}{2}Y]\end{aligned}$$

where  $Y_t = e^{tD}Y$ .  $\therefore Y_t = Y(\theta_t, \bar{\theta}_t)$

Suppose we define  $g_t$  by

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t g_t &= g_t^{-1} Y_t g_t \quad g_t = 1 \\ \text{Then } \partial_t (g_t^{-1} \theta_t g_t) &= g_t^{-1} \left( -\frac{1}{2}Y_t \theta_t + \theta_t \frac{1}{2}Y_t + \bar{\theta}_t \frac{1}{2}Y_t \right) g_t \quad g_t = 1\end{aligned}$$

$$\partial_t g_t = -\frac{Y_t}{2} g_t \quad g_t = 1$$

Then

$$\partial_t (g_t^{-1} \theta_t g_t) = g_t^{-1} \left( +\frac{Y_t}{2} \theta_t + \dot{\theta}_t - \theta_t \frac{Y_t}{2} \right) g_t = 0$$

$$\partial_t (g_t \bar{\theta}_t g_t^{-1}) = g_t \left( -\frac{Y_t}{2} \bar{\theta}_t + \dot{\bar{\theta}}_t + \bar{\theta}_t \frac{Y_t}{2} \right) g_t^{-1} = 0$$

which means

$$\theta_t = g_t^{-1} \theta g_t \quad \bar{\theta}_t = g_t^{-1} \bar{\theta} g_t$$

Look again at  $\dot{g}_t = -e^{tD} \left( \frac{Y}{2} \right) g_t$

$$= -\left( e^{tD} \frac{Y}{2} e^{-tD} \right) e^{tD} g_t. \quad \text{Thus}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\tilde{e}^{tD} g_t\right)' &= -D \tilde{e}^{-tD} g_t + \tilde{e}^{-tD} \left(-e^{tD} \left(\frac{y}{2}\right) g_t\right) \\ &= -D e^{-tD} g_t - \frac{y}{2} e^{-tD} g_t \end{aligned}$$

i.e.  $(e^{-tD} g_t)' = -(D + \frac{y}{2}) e^{-tD} g_t$

Thus

$$g_t = e^{tD} e^{-t(D+\frac{y}{2})} 1$$

A natural question is whether  $g_t$  has a limit as  $t \rightarrow -\infty$ . Recall

$$\partial_t g_t = -\frac{y_t}{2} g_t$$

where  $y_t = e^{tD}(y)$ . We know  $D$  has the eigenvalues  $\frac{1}{n}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , so  $y_t \rightarrow 0$  rapidly as  $t \rightarrow -\infty$ , exponentially in fact. So it would seem that  $g_{-\infty}$  ~~exists~~ exists. Alternatively we can change to the variable  $e^{\frac{1}{2}t} = z$ . Then it becomes

$$z \partial_z g_z = -\frac{y_z}{2} g_z$$

where  $y_z = z^D y$  should be a power series in  $z$  with ~~0~~ 0 constant term since  $y \in \Omega^0 A$  on which the eigenvalues of  $D$  are  $\frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{3}{2}, \dots$  Thus  $z = 0$  is a regular point of the D.E.

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$$Da = da \circ \frac{1}{2} Y - \frac{1}{2} Y \circ da = [da, \frac{1}{2} Y].$$

$$D(da) = a \circ \frac{1}{2} Y - \frac{1}{2} Y \circ a = \frac{1}{2} ([a, Y]_+ - da dY - dY da)$$

since  $Y \circ a = Ya - (-1)^{|Y|} dY da$   
 $= Ya + dY da$ .

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Review: Given  $\phi$  with  $-(\delta\phi)(a_1, a_2) = da, d\phi a$   
we have the flow on  $RA$  given by

$$Da = \phi a$$

We know this extends to  $QA$  by

$$D(da) = \frac{1}{2}da + d\phi a$$

In effect it suffices to verify that

$D\theta : A \rightarrow QA$  is a derivation relative to  $\theta$  and  $D\theta^\sharp$  is a derivation relative to  $\theta^\sharp$ . This means checking

$$(D\theta)(a_1, a_2) = (D\theta)(a_1) \circ \theta a_2 + \theta(a_1) \circ D\theta(a_2)$$

for  $D\theta(a) = D(a + da) = \frac{1}{2}da + \phi a + d\phi a$   
which is straightforward. Similarly for  $\theta^\sharp a = a - da$

Next suppose  $A$  separable + let  $Y \in \Omega^1 A$   
satisfy  $da = [a, Y]$ . Then we can define  
a derivation  $D$  on  $QA$  by

$$D\theta = [a, Y] \quad D\theta^\sharp = -[a, Y]$$

This is equivalent to  $\begin{cases} Da = [da, Y]^\circ = da Y - Y da \\ D(da) = [a, Y]^\circ = [a, Y] - dad Y - dY da \end{cases}$

In effect  $Y_0 a = Ya - (-1)^{|Y|} dY da = Ya + dY da$ .

Recall that  $\phi(a) = -Y da$  and  $da Y = (d\circ Y)(a)$   
satisfy  $-\delta\phi = d\circ d$ .  $Da = da Y - Y da = 2\phi(a)$   
where  $\phi = \frac{1}{2}(d\circ Y - Y \circ d)$  is the average. Note  
that  $[a, Y] = da$  and  $d(da Y - Y da) = -(da dY + dY da)$ .

Thus this derivation  $D$  of  $QA$  is

$$Da = 2\phi a$$

$$D(da) = da + 2d\phi a$$

which is twice the one considered before.

Now that we have the flow we define  $\theta_t : A \rightarrow \hat{Q}A$  to be  $e^{tD} \theta_t$ , and similarly define  $\phi_t^x$ . Let  $g_t$  be the solution of

$$\partial_t g_t = -\underbrace{e^{tD}(Y)}_{Y_t} g_t \quad g_0 = 1$$

Then  $\partial_t (g_t^{-1} \theta_t g_t) = g_t^{-1} (+Y_t \theta_t + \partial_t \theta_t - \theta_t Y_t) g_t = 0$

Yesterday we argued that because the eigenvalues of  $D$  in  $\hat{Q}A$  are  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we can define  $z^D$  where  $z = e^t$ . Then

$$z \partial_z g_z = -z^D(Y) g_z$$

and because  $Y \in$  augmentation ideal of  $QA$ ,  ~~$z^D(Y)$~~  is divisible by  $z$ . Thus

$$\partial_z g_z = -z^{D-1}(Y) g_z$$

has  $z=0$  as regular point and  $\lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} g_t = g_z|_{z=0}$  exists.

I want to carry this all out in the case  $A = \mathbb{C}[F]$ . We have

$$dF Y = dF \frac{1}{2} F dF = -Y dF$$

so that there is a ~~sign~~ canonical  $\phi$  around. We have

$$DF = \cancel{\frac{1}{2}} 2\phi(F) = -F dF^2$$

$$D(dF) = \cancel{\frac{1}{2}} dF + 2d\phi F = dF - dF^3$$

We calculated already

$$D((1-dF^2)^{-1/2}) = dF^2 (1-dF^2)^{-1/2}$$

$$d(F(1-dF^2)^{-1/2}) = 0$$

$$d(dF(1-dF^2)^{-1/2}) = dF(1-dF^2)^{-1/2}$$

and further that the isomorphism  
 $\hat{Q}A \simeq \hat{\Omega}A$  associated to  $D$  is

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \hat{Q}A & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \hat{\Omega}A \\ F(1-dF^2)^{-1/2} & & F \\ dF(1-dF^2)^{-1/2} & & dF \\ F & & F(1+dF^2)^{-1/2} \\ dF & & dF(1+dF^2)^{-1/2} \end{array}$$

(From  $dF(1-dF^2)^{-1/2} \leftrightarrow dF$  we obtain

$$dF \leftrightarrow dF(1+dF^2)^{-1/2} : \quad \frac{x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = y \Rightarrow x = \frac{y}{\sqrt{1+y^2}}$$

Also  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = \sqrt{1+y^2}$  i.e.  $(1-dF^2)^{-1/2} \leftrightarrow (1+dF^2)^{1/2}$ .

$$\text{Recall } \theta F = F + dF \leftrightarrow (F + dF)(1+dF^2)^{-1/2}$$

Apply  $e^{tD} = z^D$  and use  $D = n$  on  $\hat{\Omega}A$  in  $\hat{\Omega}A$ . This gives

$$\theta_t F \longleftrightarrow (F + zdF)(1+z^2 dF^2)^{-1/2}$$

We can check this by noting that the right side is the standard way to make  $F + zdF$  into an involution:

$$(F + zdF)^2 = 1 + \cancel{z(FdF + FdF)} + z^2 dF^2$$

Thus we have a linear path  $F + zdF$  which augments to an involution, but this is not perhaps a good viewpoint, since we didn't join

$$\theta F \longleftrightarrow F + dF/(1+dF^2)^{1/2}$$

$$\theta^* F \longleftrightarrow F - dF/(1+dF^2)^{1/2}$$

by the linear path.

Observe that  $\theta = \theta_z$  when  $z = 1$  and  $\theta^* = \theta_z$  when  $z = -1$  and this is obviously true in general.

The next thing to do is to find  $g_z$ .

Recall that  $g_t^\top \theta_t g_t$  is constant. We would like  $g_t = 1$  at  $t = -\infty$ . This seems to be the most natural since we have  ~~$\theta_t = \theta_0$~~  the better parameter  $z = e^t$  and we want to go directly between  $z = 1$  and  $-1$ . So we want to find

$$\theta_z = g_z \theta_0 g_z^{-1} \quad g_0 = 1.$$

where here  $\theta_0$  is the lifting  $A \rightarrow \hat{RA} \subset \hat{QA}$ . The <sup>diffl</sup> equation defining  $g_z$  is

$$\partial_z g_z = -z^{D-1}(Y) g_z$$

I want to calculate the answer for  $A = \mathbb{C}[F]$ . Use the  $\hat{RA}$  model where  $z^D = z^n$  on  $\hat{RA}$ .

$$Y = \frac{1}{2} F dF \longleftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} F dF (1 + dF^2)^{-1}$$

$$z^{D-1}(Y) \longleftrightarrow \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} F dF}_{\frac{1}{2} F dF (1 - z^2(F dF)^2)^{-1}} (1 + z^2(F dF)^2)^{-1}$$

Our DE is

$$\partial_z g_z = -\frac{\frac{1}{2} F dF}{1 - z^2(F dF)^2} g_z$$

Observe the coefficient is a function of  $F dF$ , so the values for different  $z$  commute. Thus we have an abelian group situation and the

Answer is found by integrating.

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_z \log g_z &= -\frac{1}{2} F dF \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{1+z F dF} + \frac{1}{1-z F dF} \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{F dF}{1+z F dF} + \frac{F dF}{1-z F dF} \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{4} (\partial_z \log (1+z F dF) - \partial_z \log (1-z F dF)) \\ g_z^{-1} &= \frac{1+z F dF}{1-z F dF}\end{aligned}$$

We know how to take a square root of this  
namely

$$g_z^{-1} = \frac{(1+z F dF)^2}{1+z^2 dF^2} \Rightarrow g_z^{-2} = \frac{1+z F dF}{\sqrt{1+z^2 dF^2}}$$

But let's bring in what we know about involutions.

$$\text{Given } F_z = (F + z dF) (1+z^2 dF^2)^{-1/2}$$

$$F_0 = F$$

The natural solution for  $F_z = g_z F_0 g_z^{-1}$  is obtained by requiring  $F_0 g_z F_0 = g_z^{-1}$ . Then

$$F_z = g_z F_0 g_z^{-1} = g_z^2 F_0$$

and

$$g_z^{-2} = F_0 F_z = \frac{1+z F dF}{\sqrt{1+z^2 dF^2}}$$

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To understand derivations  $D: QA \rightarrow QA$  which commute with  $\gamma$ . ~~which~~

In general a derivation  $D$  on  $QA$  is equivalent to a derivation  $DO: A \rightarrow QA$  rel  $\Theta$  ~~which~~ together with a derivation  $DO^\gamma: A \rightarrow QA$  rel  $\Theta^\gamma$ . If  $D\gamma = \gamma D$ , then  $DO^\gamma = D\gamma O$  ~~which~~  $= \gamma DO$ . Thus a  $D$  commuting with  $\gamma$  should be equivalent to a derivation  $DO: A \rightarrow QA$  relative to  $\Theta$ , i.e. to a  $A$ -bimodule morphism  $Q'A \rightarrow QA$  where  $Q'A$  is regarded as  $A$ -bimodule via  $\Theta$ .

Let's assume  $Q'A$  <sup>is a</sup> projective bimodule and see what we can construct. We have an obvious bimodule morphism

$$Q'A \subset QA/JA^2 = A \oplus Q'A \text{ semi direct product}$$

which we can lift to a bimod morphism  $Q'A \rightarrow JA$ . Better is to say that we have  $JQ'A = Q'A$  and we wish to find a lifting  $Q'A \rightarrow JA$  for the  $\Theta$  bimodule structure on  $JA$ . The arbitrariness if we try to lift up to  $JQ'A = Q'A$  from  $Q'A$  is a bimodule map  $Q'A \rightarrow Q^nA$ , i.e. a derivation  $A \rightarrow Q^nA$ .

Concretely we can proceed with the following notation (which may be awkward) suppose the derivation  $DO$  we seek is written out in ~~which~~ components

$$D\alpha = \phi_2 \alpha + \phi_4 \alpha + \dots = \phi \alpha$$

$$D(D\alpha) = \psi_1 \alpha + \psi_3 \alpha + \dots = \psi \alpha$$

The relations to preserve are

$$\alpha_1 \alpha_2 = \alpha_1 \circ \alpha_2 + D\alpha_1 \circ D\alpha_2$$

$$D(\alpha_1 \alpha_2) = \alpha_1 \circ D\alpha_2 + D\alpha_1 \circ \alpha_2$$

This means

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(\alpha_1 \alpha_2) &= \alpha_1 \circ \phi \alpha_2 + \phi \alpha_1 \circ \alpha_2 \\ &\quad + D\alpha_1 \circ \psi \alpha_2 + \psi \alpha_1 \circ D\alpha_2 \end{aligned}$$

which becomes

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} +\delta\phi &= d\phi \cup d + d \cup d\phi \\ &\quad - \psi \cup d - d \cup \psi \end{aligned}}$$

similarly we have

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} \delta\psi &= d \cup d\psi - d\psi \cup d \\ &\quad - \phi \cup d - d \cup \phi \end{aligned}}$$

Using

$$\boxed{\delta df = d\delta f - d\circ f - (-1)^{|f|} f \cup d}$$

we have checked that the above equations are consistent with  $\delta^2 \phi = 0$  and  $\delta^2 \psi = 0$ .

Better approach is to work with

$$D\Theta\alpha = f_1 \alpha + f_2 \alpha + f_3 \alpha + \dots = f \alpha$$

The derivation condition is

$$f(\alpha_1 \alpha_2) = D\Theta(\alpha_1 \alpha_2)$$

$$= \Theta\alpha_1 \circ D\Theta\alpha_2 + D\Theta\alpha_1 \circ \Theta\alpha_2$$

$$= (\alpha_1 + D\alpha_1) \circ f \alpha_2 + f \alpha_1 \circ (D\alpha_2 + D\alpha_2)$$

$$= a_1 f a_2 - d a_1 d f a_2 + d a_1 f a_2 \\ + f a_1 a_2 - (-1)^{|f|} d f a_1 d a_2 + f a_1 d a_2$$

or simply

\*  $\boxed{\delta f = -d \cup f - f \cup d + d \cup df + (-1)^{|f|} df \cup d}$

where  $(-1)^{|f|} df$  stands for  $\sum (-1)^n df_n$ .

Presumably using

$$\delta df = d \delta f - d \cup f - (-1)^{|f|} f \cup d$$

the above equation \* for  $\delta f$  is consistent with  $\delta^2 f = 0$

Componentwise \* becomes

\*\*  $\boxed{\delta f_n = -d \cup f_{n-1} - f_{n-1} \cup d + d \cup df_{n-2} + (-1)^n df_{n-2} \cup d}$

and should be able to solve this recursively, the point being that as  $\Omega^1 A$  is projective 1-cocycles are 1-coboundaries ~~so~~ so it's enough to know the right side is killed by  $\delta$ ; this should follow from the consistency just mentioned.

Consider this recursion relation for  $n=1$  assuming  $f_0 = 0$ . Then  $\delta f_1 = 0$ , so  $f_1 : \bar{A} \rightarrow \Omega^1 A$  is a derivation. We take  $f_1 = d$  as mentioned above. Then the relation for  $n=2$  is

$$\delta f_2 = -2d \cup d \quad \text{i.e.} \quad -\delta f_2 = 2d \cup d$$

which means  $f_2 = 2\phi$ ,  $\phi$  as usual. Then

$$\delta f_3 = -d \cup f_2 - f_2 \cup d \quad \blacksquare$$

We have  $\delta df_2 = \underbrace{d \delta f_2 - d \cup f_2 - f_2 \cup d}_{d(2d \cup d)} = 0$

so the obvious solution is

$f_3 = df_2 = 2d\phi$  as we have seen. Then

$$\delta f_4 = d \circ (-f_3 + df_2) + (-f_3 + df_2) \circ d$$

so if we take  $f_3 = df_2$ , we can take  $f_4 = 0$  and then  $f_5 = f_6 = \dots = 0$ .

Let's remove this solution and try to understand solutions starting with

$$\delta f_3 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad f_1 = f_2 = 0$$

$$\delta f_4 = -d \circ f_3 - f_3 \circ d$$

$$\delta f_5 = -d \circ f_4 - f_4 \circ d + d \circ df_3 - df_3 \circ d$$

It's not clear whether this provides any more finite support solutions. Wait: Note

$$d \delta f_4 = +d \circ df_3 - df_3 \circ d$$

$$\text{so } \delta f_5 = -d \circ f_4 - f_4 \circ d + d \delta f_4$$

and this is  $\delta df_4$ . So we have

$$\delta f_5 = \delta df_4 \quad \text{or} \quad \delta(f_5 - df_4) = 0$$

~~This~~ Next

$$\delta f_6 = +d \circ (-f_5 + df_4) + (-f_5 + df_4) \circ d$$

so if we take  $f_5 = df_4$ , then we can take  $f_6 = 0$ , and then  $f_7 = 0$  since  $f_6 = 0$  and  $df_5 = 0$ , etc.

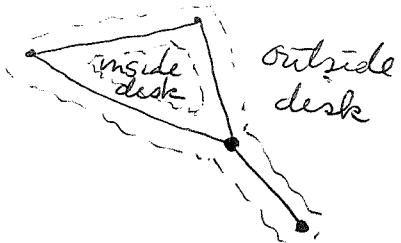
This pattern ought to repeat, so we see that the construction of derivations of QA when A

is quasi-free is basically a finite support business. There is a rather natural parametrization (depending on  $\phi$ ) of the possible choices for  $D$  in terms of sequences  $\{g_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  where  $g_n : A \rightarrow \Omega^n A$  is a derivation.

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Graeme tells me about Kontsevich:

Ribbon graphs represent cells of moduli spaces. One glues in disks for each circuit compatible with the cyclic order



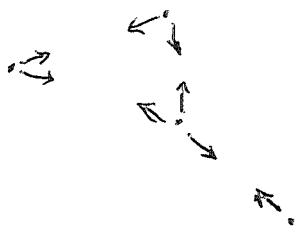
The parameters are the lengths of the edges - before gluing a disk one fixes the points on the boundary.

Given an associative algebra  $A$  with a <sup>nondegenerate</sup> trace  $\tau$  one gets a function on ribbon graphs which is unchanged under collapsing an edge (this corresponds to taking a face of the cell in moduli space - the dimension of the cell is the number of edges); hence an element of  $H^0(M_{g,n})$ . Form



$$\otimes_A I$$

where  $I$  is the set consisting of a vertex together with a direction of leaving the vertex.



Thus  $I =$  components of the graph with midpoints of edges and vertices removed.

~~Also~~ Also  $I =$  ways of enriching the graph to a connected graph.  $I$  is a double cover of the set of edges. Because  $\tau$  is a non degenerate trace it determines a symmetric element  $\tau$  in  $A \otimes A$ . Each edge determines a pair of elements of  $I$

and the pairs are disjoint, hence we have  
 $\prod_e z_e \in \bigotimes_I A$

Next the cyclic order at each vertex  $v$  gives us a map

$$\tau_v : \bigotimes_{\text{assoc to } v} A \longrightarrow A \xrightarrow{\tau} \mathbb{C}$$

Thus we have

$$\prod_v \tau_v : \bigotimes_I A \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}.$$

and so we get a number

$$\prod_v \tau_v \cdot \prod_e z_e$$

attached to the ribbon graph.

~~Example:~~ If  $A = \mathbb{C}[G]$  with the usual trace, then the number gives the number of principal  $G$ -bundles over the graph.

~~Supposedly~~ the above construction apparently generalizes to  $A_\infty$  algebras and leads to elts of  $H^i(M_{g,n})$ .

The marked points on the surfaces are the centers of the disks. As one moves over moduli space the boundary of the  $i$ -th disk is a sort of circle bundle. However because of finite automorphisms of the surface the structure is more complicated. Kontsevich says look at finite subsets of  $S$  where points can coalesce but modulo rigid rotations. One then gets a two-form on this configuration space

as follows. Let the angles starting from some point be  $\ell_1, \ell_2, \dots, \ell_n$  so that  $\sum \ell_i = 2\pi$ . Then the two-form is  $\sum_{i < j} d\ell_i d\ell_j$ . The configuration

space is a rational   $K(\mathbb{Z}, 2)$  and this form represents the first Chern class.

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Here are some ideas worth working on it seems.

1) You know that an element of  $\text{HC}^2(A)$  can be represented by a square zero extension  $A = R/I$ ,  $I^2 = 0$  together with a trace on  $R$ . You also know that a square-zero extension of  $A$  is equivalent to a bimodule extension of  $\Omega^1 A$ . Can you describe what [ ] trace on  $R$  is in terms of the bimodule extension? Hopefully you can find a categorical description of an element of  $\text{HC}_2(A)$ . Idea: Use that  $\text{HC}_2(A)$  is computed by  $R/[R, I] \iff \Omega^1 R/[R, \Omega^1 R] + I\Omega^1 R$  and that the odd space in this complex is the commutator quotient space of the extension of  $\Omega^1 A$ :

$$0 \rightarrow I \rightarrow A \otimes_R \Omega^1 R \otimes_R A \rightarrow \Omega^1 A \rightarrow 0$$

(The [ ] feeling I have is that trace on a nilpotent extension of  $A$  is too rigid a notion. One wants to replace it by bimodule data probably involving nonlinearity in some way.)

Important examples here are tensor products [ ] and Heisenberg-Weyl algebras.

2) Consider Morita self-equivalences of  $\mathbb{C}$ . This should be the Picard category of lines over  $\mathbb{C}$ . (at least if we stick to  $\mathbb{C}$  linear functors). This Picard category has 1 object up to isom and its automorphisms are  $\mathbb{C}^*$ . So

it is  $B\mathbb{C}^*$ . However if I somehow take topology into account I get  $BS' = \mathbb{D}\mathbb{P}^\infty$ .

Similarly in connection with Landell one looks at the <sup>non unital</sup> homomorphisms

$$M_n \longrightarrow M_N$$

~~operator~~ such that  $I \mapsto$  idempotent of rank  $n$  (these are the ones consistent with the Morita equivalence of both matrix algebra with  $\mathbb{C}$ ).

The topology of these homom. is the same as the space

$$U_N/S' \times U_{N-n}$$

which in the  $N \rightarrow \infty$  limit is  $BS'$ .

This suggests to me that the ultimate nature of the S-operation is to be found in the understanding of Morita equivalences.

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