

## DIALGEBRA COHOMOLOGY AS A G-ALGEBRA

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ABSTRACT. It is well known that the Hochschild cohomology  $H^*(A, A)$  of an associative algebra  $A$  admits a G-algebra structure. In this paper we show that the dialgebra cohomology  $HY^*(D, D)$  of an associative dialgebra  $D$  has a similar structure, which is induced from a homotopy G-algebra structure on the dialgebra cochain complex  $CY^*(D, D)$ .

### 1. INTRODUCTION

It is well known, since the pioneering work of M. Gerstenhaber [2], that the Hochschild cochain complex  $C^*(A, A)$  of an associative algebra  $A$  admits a brace algebra structure. Moreover, in [3], M. Gerstenhaber and A. A. Voronov have shown that  $C^*(A, A)$  admits a homotopy G-algebra structure which induces the G-algebra structure on the Hochschild cohomology as introduced in [2]. These structures on  $C^*(A, A)$  are in fact induced from a natural operad structure on  $C^*(A, A)$ , where only the non- $\Sigma$  part of the operad is responsible for inducing the above structures.

The notions of Leibniz algebras and associative dialgebras were introduced in [6], by J.-L. Loday. Leibniz algebras are a non-commutative variation of Lie algebras, and associative dialgebras are a variation of associative algebras. Recall that an associative algebra gives rise to a Lie algebra by  $[x, y] = xy - yx$ . The notion of associative dialgebra is introduced in order to build an analogue of the couple

Lie algebras  $\leftrightarrow$  associative algebras,

when Lie algebras are replaced by Leibniz algebras. A cohomology theory associated with dialgebras has been developed by Loday, called dialgebra cohomology, where in the construction of the dialgebra complex which defines the dialgebra cohomology, planar binary trees play a crucial role. Dialgebra cohomology with coefficients has been studied by A. Frabetti in [1]. In [7], it has been shown that the dialgebra complex  $CY^*(D, D)$  admits the structure of an associative algebra, and also of a pre-Lie algebra. The aim of this paper is to show that, as in the case of a Hochschild complex,  $CY^*(D, D)$  admits a homotopy G-algebra structure which comes from a non- $\Sigma$  operad structure on  $CY^*(D, D)$ . As a consequence, the dialgebra cohomology  $HY^*(D, D)$  becomes a G-algebra.

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2. DIALGEBRA COMPLEX

In this section, we recall the construction of a dialgebra complex. Throughout this paper, by dialgebra we mean associative dialgebra.

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $K$  be a field. A dialgebra  $D$  over  $K$  is a vector space over  $K$  along with two  $K$ -linear maps,  $\dashv: D \otimes D \rightarrow D$  (called left) and  $\vdash: D \otimes D \rightarrow D$  (called right), satisfying the following axioms:

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{cases} x \dashv (y \dashv z) \stackrel{1}{=} (x \dashv y) \dashv z \stackrel{2}{=} x \dashv (y \vdash z), \\ (x \vdash y) \dashv z \stackrel{3}{=} x \vdash (y \dashv z), \\ (x \dashv y) \vdash z \stackrel{4}{=} x \vdash (y \vdash z) \stackrel{5}{=} (x \vdash y) \vdash z, \end{cases}$$

for all  $x, y, z \in D$ .

A planar binary tree with  $n$  vertices (in short, an  $n$ -tree) is a planar tree with  $(n + 1)$  leaves, one root and each vertex trivalent. Let  $Y_n$  denote the set of all  $n$ -trees. Let  $Y_0$  be the singleton set consisting of a root only. The  $n$ -trees for  $0 \leq n \leq 3$  are given by the following diagrams:

$$Y_0 = \{ | \}, \quad Y_1 = \{ \begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ | \\ \diagdown \end{array} \}, \quad Y_2 = \{ \begin{array}{c} \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ | \quad | \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \end{array} \}, \quad Y_3 = \{ \begin{array}{c} \diagup \quad \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ | \quad | \quad | \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \quad \diagdown \end{array} \}, \begin{array}{c} \diagup \quad \diagdown \quad \diagdown \\ | \quad | \quad | \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \quad \diagup \end{array} \}, \begin{array}{c} \diagup \quad \diagdown \quad \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ | \quad | \quad | \quad | \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \quad \diagdown \quad \diagup \end{array} \}, \begin{array}{c} \diagup \quad \diagdown \quad \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ | \quad | \quad | \quad | \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \quad \diagup \quad \diagdown \end{array} \} \}$$

For any  $y \in Y_n$ , the  $(n + 1)$  leaves are labelled by  $\{0, 1, \dots, n\}$  from left to right, and the vertices are labelled  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , so that the  $i$ th vertex is between the leaves  $(i - 1)$  and  $i$ . Recall from [6] that the only element  $|$  of  $Y_0$  is denoted by  $[0]$ . The only element of  $Y_1$  is denoted by  $[1]$ . The grafting of a  $p$ -tree  $y_1$  and a  $q$ -tree  $y_2$  is a  $(p + q + 1)$ -tree denoted by  $y_1 \vee y_2$  which is obtained by joining the roots of  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  and creating a new root from that vertex. This is denoted by  $[y_1 \ p + q + 1 \ y_2]$  with the convention that all zeros are deleted except for the element in  $Y_0$ . With this notation, the trees pictured above from left to right are  $[0], [1], [12], [21], [123], [213], [131], [312], [321]$ .

For any  $i, 0 \leq i \leq n$ , there is a map, called the face map,  $d_i : Y_n \rightarrow Y_{n-1}$ ,  $y \mapsto d_i y$ , where  $d_i y$  is obtained from  $y$  by deleting the  $i$ th leaf. The face maps satisfy the relation  $d_i d_j = d_{j-1} d_i$ , for all  $i < j$ .

Let  $D$  be a dialgebra over a field  $K$ . The cochain complex  $CY^*(D, D)$  which defines the dialgebra cohomology  $HY^*(D, D)$  is defined as follows. For any  $n \geq 0$ , let  $K[Y_n]$  denote the  $K$ -vector space spanned by  $Y_n$ , and let

$$CY^n(D, D) := \text{Hom}_K(K[Y_n] \otimes D^{\otimes n}, D)$$

be the module of  $n$ -cochains of  $D$  with coefficients in  $D$ . The coboundary operator  $\delta : CY^n(D, D) \rightarrow CY^{n+1}(D, D)$  is defined as the  $K$ -linear map  $\delta = \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} (-1)^i \delta^i$ , where

$$(\delta^i f)(y; a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n+1}) := \begin{cases} a_1 \circ_0^y f(d_0 y; a_2, \dots, a_{n+1}), & \text{if } i = 0, \\ f(d_i y; a_1, \dots, a_i \circ_i^y a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n+1}), & \text{if } 1 \leq i \leq n, \\ f(d_{n+1} y; a_1, \dots, a_n) \circ_{n+1}^y a_{n+1}, & \text{if } i = n + 1, \end{cases}$$

for any  $y \in Y_{n+1}$ ;  $a_1, \dots, a_{n+1} \in D$  and  $f : K[Y_n] \otimes D^{\otimes n} \rightarrow D$ . Here, for any  $i$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq n + 1$ , the maps  $\circ_i : Y_{n+1} \rightarrow \{\dashv, \vdash\}$  are defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \circ_0(y) = \circ_0^y &:= \begin{cases} \dashv & \text{if } y \text{ is of the form } | \vee y_1, \text{ for some } n\text{-tree } y_1, \\ \vdash & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \\ \circ_i(y) = \circ_i^y &:= \begin{cases} \dashv & \text{if the } i^{\text{th}} \text{ leaf of } y \text{ is oriented like } '\setminus', \\ \vdash & \text{if the } i^{\text{th}} \text{ leaf of } y \text{ is oriented like } '/', \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , and

$$\circ_{n+1}(y) = \circ_{n+1}^y := \begin{cases} \vdash & \text{if } y \text{ is of the form } y_1 \vee |, \text{ for some } n\text{-tree } y_1, \\ \dashv & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where the symbol ‘ $\vee$ ’ stands for grafting of trees [6].

### 3. BRACES FOR A DIALGEBRA COMPLEX

In this section, we introduce braces or multilinear operations in  $CY^*(D, D)$  of a dialgebra  $D$ , generalizing the  $\circ_i$  products as introduced in [7], which endow  $CY^*(D, D)$  with a brace algebra structure.

**Definition 3.1.** A brace algebra is a graded vector space with a collection of braces (or multilinear operations)  $x\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$  of degree  $-n$  satisfying the identity (brace identity)

$$\begin{aligned} x\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m\}\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\} = & \sum_{0 \leq i_1 \leq j_1 \leq i_2 \leq \dots \leq i_m \leq j_m \leq n} (-1)^\epsilon x\{y_1, \dots, y_{i_1}, \\ & x_1\{y_{i_1+1}, \dots, y_{j_1}\}, y_{j_1+1}, \dots, y_{i_2}, \\ & x_2\{y_{i_2+1}, \dots, y_{j_2}\}, y_{j_2+1}, \dots, y_{i_m}, \\ & x_m\{y_{i_m+1}, \dots, y_{j_m}\}, y_{j_m+1}, \dots, y_n\} \end{aligned}$$

where  $x\{\}$  is understood as just  $x$ ,  $\deg x\{x_1, \dots, x_n\} = \deg x + \sum_{i=1}^n \deg x_i - n$ ,  $|x| = \deg x - 1$ , and  $\epsilon = \sum_{p=1}^m |x_p| \sum_{q=1}^{i_p} |y_q|$ .

**Definition 3.2.** Let  $n, i_1, i_2, \dots, i_r, m_1, m_2, \dots, m_r$  be non-negative integers with  $n, m_1, \dots, m_r \geq 1$  such that

$$0 \leq i_1, i_1 + m_1 \leq i_2, \dots, i_{r-1} + m_{r-1} \leq i_r, i_r + m_r \leq N = n + \sum_1^r m_i - r.$$

For each  $j$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq r$ , we define maps

$$R_{j+1}^{i_1, \dots, i_r}(N; n, m_1, \dots, m_r) : Y_N \rightarrow Y_{m_j},$$

with  $m_0 = n$ , in the following way. For  $j = 0$ ,

$$R_1^{i_1, \dots, i_r}(N; n, m_1, \dots, m_r) = \prod_{\substack{m_\ell \geq 2 \\ 1 \leq \ell \leq r}} (d_{i_\ell+1} \cdots d_{i_\ell+m_\ell-1}) \text{ if } 2 \leq m_0 < N,$$

where  $\Pi$  stands for composition of terms and  $R_1^{i_1, \dots, i_r}(N; n, m_1, \dots, m_r)$  is the identity or the obvious constant map according to whether  $m_0$  is  $N$  or 1.

For  $1 \leq j \leq r$ , if  $2 \leq m_j < N$  we have

$$R_{j+1}^{i_1, \dots, i_r}(N; n, m_1, \dots, m_r) = \begin{cases} (d_0 \cdots d_{i_j-1})(d_{i_j+m_j+1} \cdots d_N), & i_j \geq 1 \text{ and} \\ & i_j + m_j + 1 \leq N, \\ (d_{m_j+1} \cdots d_N), & i_j = 0, \\ (d_0 \cdots d_{i_j-1}), & i_j + m_j + 1 > N, \end{cases}$$

and  $R_{j+1}^{i_1, \dots, i_r}(N; n, m_1, \dots, m_r)$  is the identity or the obvious constant map according to whether  $m_j = N$  or  $m_j = 1$ .

**Definition 3.3.** Let  $D$  be a dialgebra over a field  $K$ . For non-negative integers  $n, i_1, \dots, i_r, m_1, \dots, m_r$  with  $0 \leq i_1, i_1 + m_1 \leq i_2, \dots, i_{r-1} + m_{r-1} \leq i_r, i_r + m_r \leq N = n + \sum_1^r m_i - r$ , the multilinear maps

$$\circ_{i_1, \dots, i_r} : CY^n(D, D) \otimes \bigotimes_{j=1}^r CY^{m_j}(D, D) \longrightarrow CY^N(D, D)$$

are defined as follows. Let  $f \in CY^n(D, D), g_j \in CY^{m_j}(D, D), 1 \leq j \leq r$ . For  $y \in Y_N$  and  $x_1, \dots, x_N \in D$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} & f \circ_{i_1, \dots, i_r}(g_1, \dots, g_r)(y; x_1, \dots, x_N) \\ = & f(R_1^{i_1, \dots, i_r}(N; n, m_1, \dots, m_r)y; x_1, \dots, x_{i_1}, \\ & g_1(R_2^{i_1, \dots, i_r}(N; n, m_1, \dots, m_r)y; x_{i_1+1}, \dots, x_{i_1+m_1}), \dots, \\ & g_r(R_{r+1}^{i_1, \dots, i_r}(N; n, m_1, \dots, m_r)y; x_{i_r+1}, \dots, x_{i_r+m_r}), \dots, x_N). \end{aligned}$$

In the above definition, if  $m_j = 0$  for some  $j$ , then

$$g_j \in CY^0(D, D) \cong \text{Hom}_K(K, D) = D$$

and the corresponding input is simply  $g_j$ .

Next we use these generalized  $\circ_i$  products to define braces as follows.

**Definition 3.4.** For  $f \in CY^n(D, D), g_\nu \in CY^{m_\nu}(D, D), \nu = 1, \dots, r$ ,

$$f\{g_1, \dots, g_r\} = \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_r} (-1)^\eta f \circ_{i_1, \dots, i_r}(g_1, \dots, g_r),$$

where  $\eta = \sum_{\nu=1}^r |g_\nu| i_\nu$ , and  $|g_\nu| = \text{deg } g_\nu - 1 = m_\nu - 1$ .

*Remark 3.5.* It may be noted that by the above definition of braces on  $CY^*(D, D)$ ,  $f\{g\}$  coincides with the pre-Lie product  $f \circ g$  as introduced in [7].

Henceforth, we shall use the symbol  $f \circ g$  in order to denote  $f\{g\}$ . The following proposition will follow from Lemma 5.1.

**Proposition 3.6.** *The braces as defined above make the dialgebra cochain complex  $CY^*(D, D)$  into a brace algebra.*

#### 4. OPERAD STRUCTURE

In this section we show that the dialgebra complex  $CY^*(D, D)$  of a dialgebra  $D$  admits the structure of a non- $\Sigma$  operad.

**Definition 4.1.** A non- $\Sigma$  operad  $\mathcal{C}$  of  $K$ -vector spaces consists of vector spaces  $\mathcal{C}(j), j \geq 0$ , together with a unit map  $K \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}(1)$  and multilinear maps

$$\gamma : \mathcal{C}(k) \otimes \mathcal{C}(j_1) \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathcal{C}(j_k) \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}(j)$$

for  $k \geq 1; j_s \geq 0$  and  $j = \sum_{s=1}^k j_s$ . The maps  $\gamma$  are required to be associative and unital as in [8].

The following maps on trees will be used to define a non- $\Sigma$  operad structure on  $CY^*(D, D)$ .

**Definition 4.2.** Given an integer  $j$ , with  $j = \sum_{r=1}^k j_r$ ,  $k \geq 1$  and  $j_r \geq 1$ , define maps

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma^0(k; j_1, \dots, j_k) &: Y_j \longrightarrow Y_k, \\ \Gamma^r(k; j_1, \dots, j_k) &: Y_j \longrightarrow Y_{j_r}, \quad 1 \leq r \leq k,\end{aligned}$$

by

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma^0(k; j_1, \dots, j_k) &= d_1 \cdots d_{j_1-1} d_{j_1+1} \cdots d_{j_1+j_2-1} d_{j_1+j_2+1} \cdots d_{\sum_{s=1}^r j_s-1} d_{\sum_{s=1}^r j_s+1} \cdots \\ &\quad d_{\sum_{s=1}^{k-1} j_s-1} d_{\sum_{s=1}^{k-1} j_s+1} \cdots d_{j-1} \\ &= d_1 \cdots \check{d}_{p_1} \cdots \check{d}_{p_2} \cdots \check{d}_{p_r} \cdots \check{d}_{p_{k-1}} \cdots d_{p_{k-1}} \text{ for all } 1 \leq r \leq k-1,\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma^r(k; j_1, \dots, j_k) &= d_0 \cdots d_{\sum_{s=1}^{r-1} j_s-1} d_{\sum_{s=1}^{r-1} j_s+1} \cdots d_{\sum_{s=1}^k j_s} \\ &= d_0 \cdots d_{p_{r-1}-1} d_{p_{r-1}+1} \cdots d_j,\end{aligned}$$

where  $p_r = j_1 + j_2 + \cdots + j_r$ ,  $1 \leq r \leq k$ , and the symbol  $\check{d}_i$  appearing in any expression means that the map  $d_i$  has been omitted.

*Remark 4.3.* Given integers  $j$ ,  $k \geq 1$ ,  $j_r \geq 1$  with  $j = \sum_{r=1}^k j_r$ , we shall often write the map  $\Gamma^r(k; j_1, \dots, j_k)$  simply as  $\Gamma^r$ , for all  $r = 0, 1, \dots, k$ . However, to avoid confusion we shall write the maps  $\Gamma^r$  explicitly, along with the values of  $k$ ,  $j_1, \dots, j_k$ , whenever necessary.

**Theorem 4.4.** *For a dialgebra  $D$  over a field  $K$ , the dialgebra complex  $CY^*(D, D)$  is a non- $\Sigma$  operad of  $K$ -vector spaces.*

To prove the above theorem we need the following lemma.

**Lemma 4.5.** *Let  $j_r \geq 1$ ,  $1 \leq r \leq k$  be integers with  $j = \sum_{r=1}^k j_r$ . Let  $i = \sum_{t=1}^j i_t$ , with integers  $i_t \geq 1$ . Set  $p_s = j_1 + j_2 + \cdots + j_s$  and  $q_s = i_{p_{s-1}+1} + \cdots + i_{p_s}$ . Then for  $1 \leq s \leq j_r$ ,  $1 \leq r \leq k$  the corresponding maps*

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma^0(k; j_1, \dots, j_k) &: Y_j \longrightarrow Y_k, \\ \Gamma^0(j; i_1, \dots, i_j) &: Y_i \longrightarrow Y_j, \\ \Gamma^0(k; q_1, \dots, q_k) &: Y_i \longrightarrow Y_k, \\ \Gamma^0(j_r; i_{p_{r-1}+1}, \dots, i_{p_{r-1}+j_r}) &: Y_{q_r} \longrightarrow Y_{j_r}, \\ \Gamma^s(j_r; i_{p_{r-1}+1}, \dots, i_{p_{r-1}+j_r}) &: Y_{q_r} \longrightarrow Y_{i_{p_{r-1}+s}}, \\ \Gamma^r(k; j_1, \dots, j_k) &: Y_j \longrightarrow Y_{j_r}, \\ \Gamma^{p_{r-1}+s}(j; i_1, \dots, i_j) &: Y_i \longrightarrow Y_{i_{p_{r-1}+s}}, \\ \Gamma^r(k; q_1, \dots, q_k) &: Y_i \longrightarrow Y_{q_r}\end{aligned}$$

satisfy

- (a)  $\Gamma^0(k; j_1, \dots, j_k) \Gamma^0(j; i_1, \dots, i_j) = \Gamma^0(k; q_1, \dots, q_k)$ ,
- (b)  $\Gamma^r(k; j_1, \dots, j_k) \Gamma^0(j; i_1, \dots, i_j) = \Gamma^0(j_r; i_{p_{r-1}+1}, \dots, i_{p_{r-1}+j_r}) \Gamma^r(k; q_1, \dots, q_k)$ ,
- (c)  $\Gamma^{p_{r-1}+s}(j; i_1, \dots, i_j) = \Gamma^s(j_r; i_{p_{r-1}+1}, \dots, i_{p_{r-1}+j_r}) \Gamma^r(k; q_1, \dots, q_k)$ .

*Proof.* The above lemma is a repeated application of the simplicial identity  $d_i d_j = d_{j-1} d_i$ ,  $i < j$ . We sketch below the proof of (a); the proofs of the other cases are similar. The operator  $\Gamma^0 \Gamma^0$  on the left hand side of (a) is given by two strings of operators as

$$\Gamma^0 \Gamma^0 = (d_1 \cdots \check{d}_{p_1} \cdots \check{d}_{p_2} \cdots \check{d}_{p_{k-1}} \cdots d_{p_{k-1}}) (d_1 \cdots \check{d}_{i_1} \cdots \check{d}_{i_1+i_2} \cdots \check{d}_{\sum_{t=1}^{j-1} i_t} \cdots d_{i-1}).$$

Now that the operator  $d_1$  at the extreme left in

$$d_1 \cdots \check{d}_{p_1} \cdots \check{d}_{p_2} \cdots \check{d}_{p_{k-1}} \cdots d_{p_{k-1}}$$

can be brought to the extreme right by successive application of  $d_i d_j = d_{j-1} d_i$ ,  $i < j$ , yielding

$$d_1 \cdots \check{d}_{p_1-1} \cdots \check{d}_{p_2-1} \cdots \check{d}_{p_{k-1}-1} \cdots d_{p_{k-2}} d_1.$$

Now, by applying  $d_{j-1} d_i = d_i d_j$ ,  $i < j$ , the operator  $d_1$  at the right of the above string can be pushed into the string

$$d_1 \cdots \check{d}_{i_1} \cdots \check{d}_{i_1+i_2} \cdots \check{d}_{\sum_{t=1}^{j-1} i_t} \cdots d_{i-1},$$

to recover the operator  $d_{i_1}$ , thus yielding

$$\Gamma^0 \Gamma^0 = (d_1 \cdots \check{d}_{p_1-1} \cdots \check{d}_{p_2-1} \cdots \check{d}_{p_{k-1}-1} \cdots d_{p_{k-2}}) (d_1 \cdots d_{i_1} \cdots \check{d}_{i_1+i_2} \cdots \check{d}_{\sum_{t=1}^{j-1} i_t} \cdots d_{i-1}).$$

We repeat the above method, each time starting with the operator  $d_1$  at the left of the first string to recover an omitted operator in the second string. After  $(p_1 - 1)$  steps, we get

$$\Gamma^0 \Gamma^0 = (d_2 \cdots d_{p_2-p_1} d_{p_2-(p_1-2)} \cdots d_{p_r-p_1} d_{p_r-(p_1-2)} \cdots d_{p_{k-1}-p_1} d_{p_{k-1}-(p_1-2)} \cdots d_{p_{k-1}}) (d_1 \cdots d_{i_1} \cdots \check{d}_{i_1+i_2} \cdots \check{d}_{q_1} \cdots \check{d}_{\sum_{t=1}^{j-1} i_t} \cdots d_{i-1}),$$

since  $q_1 = i_1 + \cdots + i_{p_1}$ . Again we apply the above method starting with the operators  $d_2, \dots, d_{p_2-p_1}$  at the left end of the first string to replace all the omitted operators between  $d_{q_1+1}$  and  $d_{q_1+q_2-1}$ , of the second string. Proceeding this way, all the operators of the first string can be exhausted to yield

$$\Gamma^0 \Gamma^0 = d_1 \cdots d_{q_1-1} d_{q_1+1} \cdots d_{q_1+q_2-1} d_{q_1+q_2+1} \cdots d_{\sum_{s=1}^r q_s-1} d_{\sum_{s=1}^r q_s+1} \cdots d_{\sum_{s=1}^{k-1} q_s-1} d_{\sum_{s=1}^{k-1} q_s+1} \cdots d_{i-1}.$$

Observe that  $\sum_{s=1}^k q_s = i$ .

But this is the operator  $\Gamma^0$  of the right hand side of the equality (a). This proves part (a). □

*Proof of the theorem.* For each  $j \geq 0$ , set

$$\mathcal{C}(j) = CY^j(D, D) = \text{Hom}_K(K[Y_j] \otimes D^{\otimes j}, D).$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}(1) &= \text{Hom}_K(K[Y_1] \otimes D, D) \\ &\cong \text{Hom}_K(D, D). \end{aligned}$$

Define the unit map  $\eta : K \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(1)$  by  $\eta(1) = id_D$ . Now, for  $k \geq 1, j_r \geq 0$  and  $j = \sum j_r$  we define multilinear maps

$$(4.1) \quad \gamma : CY^k(D, D) \otimes \bigotimes_{r=1}^k CY^{j_r}(D, D) \rightarrow CY^j(D, D)$$

as follows: For  $f \in CY^k(D, D), g_r \in CY^{j_r}(D, D)$

$$\begin{aligned} & \gamma(f; g_1, \dots, g_k)(y; x_1, \dots, x_j) \\ &= f(\Gamma^0(y); g_1(\Gamma^1(y); x_1, \dots, x_{j_1}), g_2(\Gamma^2(y); x_{j_1+1}, \dots, x_{j_1+j_2}), \dots, \\ & \quad g_k(\Gamma^k(y); x_{\sum_{s=1}^{k-1} j_s+1}, \dots, x_{\sum_{s=1}^k j_s})) \\ &= f(\Gamma^0(y); g_1(\Gamma^1(y); x_1, \dots, x_{p_1}), g_2(\Gamma^2(y); x_{p_1+1}, \dots, x_{p_2}), \dots, \\ & \quad g_k(\Gamma^k(y); x_{p_{k-1}+1}, \dots, x_{p_k})), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Gamma^0 = \Gamma^0(k; j_1, \dots, j_k) : Y_j \rightarrow Y_k$ , and  $\Gamma^r = \Gamma^r(k; j_1, \dots, j_k) : Y_j \rightarrow Y_{j_r}$  are the maps as defined in Definition 4.2,  $x_1, \dots, x_j \in D$  and  $y \in Y_j$ .

Note that if  $j_r = 0$  for some  $r$ , then  $g_r \in CY^0(D, D) \cong \text{Hom}_K(K, D) = D$ , and the corresponding input in  $f$  is simply  $g_r$ .

To check associativity, let  $f \in CY^k(D, D), g_r \in CY^{j_r}(D, D), r = 1, \dots, k$ , and  $h_t \in CY^{i_t}(D, D), t = 1, \dots, j = \sum_{r=1}^k j_r$ . As in the above lemma, let  $i = \sum_{t=1}^j i_t, p_s = j_1 + j_2 + \dots + j_s, q_s = i_{p_{s-1}+1} + \dots + i_{p_s}$ . Also set  $q_{(r,s)} = i_{p_{r-1}+1} + \dots + i_{p_{r-1}+s}, 1 \leq s \leq j_r$ . Then

$$(4.2) \quad \gamma \circ (\gamma \otimes id)((f; g_1, \dots, g_k), h_1, h_2, \dots, h_j) = \gamma(\gamma(f; g_1, \dots, g_k); h_1, \dots, h_j).$$

On the other hand, shuffle yields

$$((f, g_1, \dots, g_k), h_1, \dots, h_j) \xrightarrow{\text{shuffle}} (f, (g_1, h_1, \dots, h_{j_1}), (g_2, h_{j_1+1}, \dots, h_{p_2}), \dots, (g_k, h_{p_{k-1}+1}, \dots, h_{p_k=j})).$$

Now, composing with  $\gamma \circ (id \otimes (\otimes_r \gamma))$ , we get

$$(4.3) \quad \begin{aligned} & \gamma \circ (id \otimes (\otimes_r \gamma)) \circ (\text{shuffle})((f, g_1, \dots, g_k), h_1, \dots, h_j) \\ &= \gamma(f; \gamma(g_1; h_1, \dots, h_{p_1}), \gamma(g_2; h_{p_1+1}, \dots, h_{p_2}), \dots, \\ & \quad \gamma(g_k; h_{p_{k-1}+1}, \dots, h_{p_k=j})). \end{aligned}$$

To show that (4.2) and (4.3) are the same cochain in  $CY^i(D, D)$ , let  $y \in Y_i$  and  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i \in D$ . Then,

$$(4.4) \quad \begin{aligned} & \gamma(\gamma(f; g_1, \dots, g_k); h_1, \dots, h_j)(y; x_1, \dots, x_i) \\ &= \gamma(f; g_1, \dots, g_k)(\Gamma^0 y; h_1(\Gamma^1 y; x_1, \dots, x_{i_1}), h_2(\Gamma^2 y; x_{i_1+1}, \dots, x_{i_1+i_2}), \\ & \quad \dots, h_j(\Gamma^j y; x_{\sum_{t=1}^{j-1} i_t+1}, \dots, x_i)), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma^0 y &= \Gamma^0(j; i_1, \dots, i_j)y = d_1 \cdots \check{d}_{i_1} \cdots \check{d}_{i_1+i_2} \cdots \check{d}_{\sum_{t=1}^{j-1} i_t} \cdots d_{i-1}y, \\ \Gamma^u y &= \Gamma^u(j; i_1, \dots, i_j)y = d_0 \cdots d_{\sum_{t=1}^{u-1} i_t} d_{\sum_{t=1}^u i_t+1} \cdots d_i y, \quad 1 \leq u \leq j. \end{aligned}$$

Now by definition of  $\gamma$ , as given in (4.1), the equation (4.4) is

$$(4.5) \quad \begin{aligned} & f(\Gamma^0 \Gamma^0 y; g_1(\Gamma^1 \Gamma^0 y; h_1(\Gamma^1 y; x_1, \dots, x_{i_1}), \dots, \\ & \quad h_{j_1}(\Gamma^{j_1} y; x_{\sum_{t=1}^{j_1-1} i_t+1}, \dots, x_{\sum_{t=1}^{j_1} i_t=q_1})), \dots, \\ & \quad g_k(\Gamma^k \Gamma^0 y; h_{p_{k-1}+1}(\Gamma^{p_{k-1}+1} y; x_{\sum_{t=1}^{p_{k-1}-1} i_t+1}, \dots, x_{\sum_{t=1}^{p_{k-1}+1} i_t}), \dots, \\ & \quad h_j(\Gamma^j y; x_{\sum_{t=1}^{j-1} i_t+1}, \dots, x_i))) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma^0 \Gamma^0 y &= \Gamma^0(k; j_1, \dots, j_k) \Gamma^0(j; i_1, \dots, i_j) y \\ &= d_1 \cdots \check{d}_{p_1} \cdots \check{d}_{p_2} \cdots \check{d}_{p_{k-1}} \cdots d_{p_k-1} d_1 \\ &\quad \cdots \check{d}_{i_1} \cdots \check{d}_{i_1+i_2} \cdots \check{d}_{\sum_{t=1}^{j-1} i_t} \cdots d_{i-1} y \end{aligned}$$

and for  $1 \leq r \leq k$

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma^r \Gamma^0 y &= \Gamma^r(k; j_1, \dots, j_k) \Gamma^0(j; i_1, \dots, i_j) y \\ &= d_0 \cdots d_{p_{r-1}-1} d_{p_r+1} \cdots d_{p_k} d_1 \cdots \check{d}_{i_1} \cdots \check{d}_{i_1+i_2} \cdots \check{d}_{\sum_{t=1}^{j-1} i_t} \cdots d_{i-1} y. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$(4.6) \quad \begin{aligned} &\gamma(f; \gamma(g_1; h_1, \dots, h_{p_1}), \dots, \gamma(g_k; h_{p_{k-1}+1}, \dots, h_{p_k=j})) (y; x_1, \dots, x_i) \\ &= f(\Gamma^0 y; \gamma(g_1; h_1, \dots, h_{p_1})(\Gamma^1 y; x_1, \dots, x_{q_1}), \dots, \\ &\quad \gamma(g_k; h_{p_{k-1}+1}, \dots, h_{p_k=j})(\Gamma^k y; x_{\sum_{s=1}^{k-1} q_s+1}, \dots, x_{\sum_{s=1}^k q_s=i})), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma^0 y &= \Gamma^0(k; q_1, \dots, q_k) y \\ &= d_1 \cdots \check{d}_{q_1} \cdots \check{d}_{q_1+q_2} \cdots \check{d}_{\sum_{s=1}^{k-1} q_s} \cdots d_{\sum_{s=1}^k q_s-1} y \end{aligned}$$

and, for  $1 \leq r \leq k$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma^r y &= \Gamma^r(k; q_1, \dots, q_k) y \\ &= d_0 \cdots d_{\sum_{s=1}^{r-1} q_s-1} d_{\sum_{s=1}^r q_s+1} \cdots d_{\sum_{s=1}^k q_s=i} y. \end{aligned}$$

By definition of  $\gamma$ , (4.6) can further be written as

$$(4.7) \quad \begin{aligned} &= f(\Gamma^0 y; g_1(\Gamma^0 \Gamma^1 y; h_1(\Gamma^1 \Gamma^1 y; x_1, \dots, x_{i_1}), \dots, \\ &\quad h_{j_1}(\Gamma^{j_1} \Gamma^1 y; x_{\sum_{t=1}^{j_1-1} i_t+1}, \dots, x_{q_1})), \dots, \\ &\quad g_k(\Gamma^0 \Gamma^k y; h_{p_{k-1}+1}(\Gamma^1 \Gamma^k y; x_{\sum_{s=1}^{k-1} q_s+1}, \dots, x_{\sum_{t=1}^{p_{k-1}+1} i_t}), \dots, \\ &\quad h_j(\Gamma^{j_k} \Gamma^k y; x_{\sum_{t=1}^{j-1} i_t+1}, \dots, x_i))), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma^0 \Gamma^r y &= \Gamma^0(j_r; i_{p_{r-1}+1}, \dots, i_{p_{r-1}+j_r}) \Gamma^r(k; q_1, \dots, q_k) y \\ &= (d_1 \cdots d_{q(r,1)} \cdots d_{q(r,2)} \cdots d_{q(r,j_r-1)} \cdots d_{q_r-1}) \\ &\quad (d_0 \cdots d_{\sum_{s=1}^{r-1} q_s-1} d_{\sum_{s=1}^r q_s+1} \cdots d_{\sum_{s=1}^k q_s=i}) y \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma^s \Gamma^r y &= \Gamma^s(j_r; i_{p_{r-1}+1}, \dots, i_{p_{r-1}+j_r}) \Gamma^r(k; q_1, \dots, q_k) y \\ &= (d_0 \cdots d_{q(r,s-1)-1} d_{q(r,s)+1} \cdots d_{q_r}) \\ &\quad (d_0 \cdots d_{\sum_{s=1}^{r-1} q_s-1} d_{\sum_{s=1}^r q_s+1} \cdots d_{\sum_{s=1}^k q_s=i}) y \end{aligned}$$

for  $1 \leq s \leq j_r$  and  $1 \leq r \leq k$ .

Comparing (4.5) and (4.7), and using Lemma 4.5, it follows that the cochains in (4.2) and (4.3) are the same.

To check commutativity of unit diagrams, let  $f \in \mathcal{C}(k) = CY^k(D, D)$  and  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k \in K$ . Then,

$$\gamma \circ (\text{id} \otimes \eta^k)(f \otimes (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k)) = \gamma(f; \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k),$$

where we identify  $\alpha_i \in K$  with the map

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_i &: K[Y_1] \otimes D \longrightarrow D, \\ &(y; a) \mapsto \alpha_i a, \end{aligned}$$

for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ . If  $\phi$  denotes the isomorphism

$$\mathcal{C}(k) \otimes K^k \cong \mathcal{C}(k),$$



then

$$\phi(f \otimes (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k))(y; x_1, \dots, x_k) = f(y; \alpha_1 x_1, \dots, \alpha_k x_k).$$

Now,

$$\gamma(f; \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k)(y; x_1, \dots, x_k) = f(\Gamma^0 y; \alpha_1(\Gamma^1 y; x_1), \dots, \alpha_k(\Gamma^k y; x_k)),$$

where  $\Gamma^0 y = y$ , as  $\Gamma^0 = \Gamma^0(k; 1, \dots, 1)$  and  $\Gamma^r y = d_0 \cdots d_{r-2} d_{r+1} \cdots d_k y$ ,  $1 \leq r \leq k$ .

Therefore,

$$\gamma(f; \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k)(y; x_1, \dots, x_k) = f(y; \alpha_1 x_1, \dots, \alpha_k x_k).$$

Hence,

$$\gamma \circ (\text{id} \otimes \eta^k)(f \otimes (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k)) = \phi(f \otimes (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k)).$$

Also, for  $f \in \mathcal{C}(j)$  and  $\alpha \in K$ ,

$$\gamma(\eta \otimes \text{id})(\alpha \otimes f) = \gamma(\alpha; f),$$

where  $\alpha$  is regarded as an element of  $\mathcal{C}(1)$  as above.

Now,

$$\gamma(\alpha; f)(y; x_1, \dots, x_j) = \alpha(\Gamma^0 y; f(\Gamma^1 y; x_1, \dots, x_j)),$$

where  $\Gamma^0 y = \Gamma^0(1; j)y = d_1 \dots d_{j-1}y$  and  $\Gamma^1 y = \Gamma^1(1; j)y = y$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(\alpha; f)(y; x_1, \dots, x_j) &= \alpha(y'; f(y; x_1, \dots, x_j)) \\ &= \alpha f(y; x_1, \dots, x_j), \end{aligned}$$

where  $y'$  is the only tree in  $Y_1$ .

Note that  $\psi : K \otimes \mathcal{C}(j) \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{C}(j)$  is given by

$$\psi(\alpha \otimes f)(y; x_1, \dots, x_j) = \alpha f(y; x_1, \dots, x_j).$$

This completes the proof of the theorem. □

### 5. BRACES INDUCED BY THE OPERAD STRUCTURE

We recall from [3] that if  $\mathcal{C}(j), j \geq 0$ , is a (non- $\Sigma$ ) operad with multiplication map  $\gamma$ , then the graded vector space  $\mathcal{C} = \bigoplus \mathcal{C}(j)$  admits a brace algebra structure. For  $\mathcal{C}(j) = CY^j(D, D)$ , the brace algebra structure is given by

$$f\{g_1, \dots, g_n\} = \sum (-1)^\epsilon \gamma(f; \text{id}_D, \dots, \text{id}_D, g_1, \text{id}_D, \dots, \text{id}_D, g_n, \text{id}_D, \dots, \text{id}_D)$$

where the summation runs over all possible substitutions of  $g_1, \dots, g_n$  into  $f$  in the prescribed order, and  $\epsilon = \sum_{p=1}^n |g_p| i_p$ ,  $i_p$  being the total number of variables one has to input in front of  $g_p$ . Here  $\text{id}_D$  represents  $\eta(1)$ . The brace identity is a consequence of the commutativity of associative and unit diagrams. Therefore, in view of Theorem 4.4, we see that  $CY^*(D, D)$  admits a brace algebra structure. The following lemma now shows that the braces as introduced in Definition 3.4 make the dialgebra cochain complex into a brace algebra.

**Lemma 5.1.** *The braces on  $CY^*(D, D)$  induced by the operad structure coincide with the braces as introduced in Definition 3.4.*

*Proof.* Let  $f \in \mathcal{C}(k) = CY^k(D, D)$  and  $g_i \in \mathcal{C}(m_i) = CY^{m_i}(D, D), 1 \leq i \leq n$ .

Then, according to M. Gerstenhaber and A. A. Voronov [3], the brace induced by the multilinear maps  $\gamma$  is given by

$$f\{g_1, \dots, g_n\} = \sum (-1)^\epsilon \gamma(f; \text{id}, \dots, \text{id}, g_1, \text{id}, \dots, \text{id}, g_n, \text{id}, \dots, \text{id}),$$

where  $\text{id} = \text{id}_D = \eta(1)$  and the summation is over all possible substitutions of  $g_1, \dots, g_n$  into  $f$ , in the given order, and  $\epsilon = \sum_{p=1}^n |g_p| i_p$  being the total number of inputs in front of  $g_p$ .

Observe that in the term

$$(-1)^\epsilon \gamma(f; \text{id}, \dots, \text{id}, g_1, \text{id}, \dots, \text{id}, g_n, \text{id}, \dots, \text{id})$$

of the above summation, the total number of identity entries in  $\gamma$  is  $k - n$ , the total number of identity entries in front of  $g_1$  is  $i_1$  and the total number of identity entries in front of  $g_r$  is  $i_r - \sum_{t=1}^{r-1} m_t, 2 \leq r \leq n$ . Moreover, the following inequalities hold:

$$0 \leq i_1, i_1 + m_1 \leq i_2, \dots, i_{r-1} + m_{r-1} \leq i_r, i_n + m_n \leq k + \sum_{t=1}^n m_t - n = N \text{ (say).}$$

By definition of  $\gamma$  as given in (4.1), we have, for  $y \in Y_N$ ,

$$(5.1) \quad \begin{aligned} & \gamma(f; \text{id}, \dots, \text{id}, g_1, \text{id}, \dots, \text{id}, g_n, \text{id}, \dots, \text{id})(y; x_1, \dots, x_N) \\ &= f(\Gamma^0 y; x_1, \dots, x_{i_1}, g_1(\Gamma^{i_1+1} y; x_{i_1+1}, \dots, x_{i_1+m_1}), x_{i_1+m_1+1}, \dots, x_{i_2}, \\ & \quad g_2(\Gamma^{i_2-m_1+2} y; x_{i_2+1}, \dots, x_{i_2+m_2}), x_{i_2+m_2+1}, \dots, x_{i_n}, \\ & \quad g_n(\Gamma^{i_n-\sum_{t=1}^{n-1} m_t+n} y; x_{i_n+1}, \dots, x_{i_n+m_n}), \dots, x_N), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\Gamma^p = \Gamma^p(k; \underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{i_1}, \underbrace{m_1, \underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{i_2-m_1-i_1}, \dots, m_{r-1}, \underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{i_r-m_{r-1}-i_{r-1}}}_{m_r, 1, \dots, m_n}, \underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{N-m_n-i_n})$$

for  $0 \leq p \leq k$ . Note that in the definition of  $\gamma$  as given in (4.1), the map  $\Gamma^r$  yields the only tree in  $Y_1$  when operated on  $y$  if  $j_r = 1$  by Definition 4.2. In other words,  $\Gamma^r$  is the obvious constant map. For instance, by Definition 4.2, the map  $\Gamma^{i_1+2}$  appearing in (5.1) is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma^{i_1+2} &= d_0 \cdots d_{(i_1+m_1+1)-1} d_{(i_1+m_1+2)+1} \cdots d_N \\ &= d_0 \cdots d_{i_1+m_1+1} d_{i_1+m_1+2} \cdots d_N \end{aligned}$$

and consists of  $N - 1$  face maps  $d_i$ ; hence  $\Gamma^{i_1+2} y = y'$ , where  $y'$  is the only tree in  $Y_1$ . Hence the corresponding input  $\text{id}(y'; x_i)$  in  $\gamma$  is simply  $x_i$ .

Now according to Definition 4.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma^0 &= \check{d}_1 \cdots \check{d}_{i_1} d_{i_1+1} \cdots d_{i_1+m_1-1} \check{d}_{i_1+m_1} \cdots \check{d}_{i_2} d_{i_2+1} \cdots d_{i_2+m_2-1} \check{d}_{i_2+m_2} \\ & \quad \cdots \check{d}_{i_3} \cdots \check{d}_{i_r+m_r} \cdots \check{d}_{i_{r+1}} \cdots \check{d}_{i_n+m_n} \cdots \check{d}_N \\ &= d_{i_1+1} \cdots d_{i_1+m_1-1} d_{i_2+1} \cdots d_{i_2+m_2-1} \cdots d_{i_r+1} \\ & \quad \cdots d_{i_r+m_r-1} \cdots d_{i_n+1} \cdots d_{i_n+m_n-1} \\ &= R_1^{i_1, \dots, i_n}, \text{ as introduced in Definition 3.2.} \end{aligned}$$

Also the operator  $\Gamma^{i_r-\sum_{t=1}^{r-1} m_t+r}$ , corresponding to  $g_r$ , is given by

$$\begin{aligned} & \Gamma^{i_r-\sum_{t=1}^{r-1} m_t+r} \\ &= d_0 \cdots d_{(i_r-\sum_{t=1}^{r-1} m_t)+\sum_{t=1}^{r-1} m_t-1} d_{(i_r-\sum_{t=1}^{r-1} m_t)+\sum_{t=1}^{r-1} m_t+m_r+1} \cdots d_N \end{aligned}$$

Recall that the number of identity entries in front of  $g_r$  is  $i_r - \sum_{t=1}^{r-1} m_t$  and their degrees sum up to  $i_r - \sum_{t=1}^{r-1} m_t$ , while the sum of the degrees of  $g_1, \dots, g_{r-1}$

is  $\sum_{t=1}^{r-1} m_t$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma^{i_r - \sum_{t=1}^{r-1} m_t + r} &= d_0 \cdots d_{i_r-1} d_{i_r+m_r+1} \cdots d_N \\ &= R_{r+1}^{i_1, \dots, i_n}, \text{ as introduced in Definition 3.2.} \end{aligned}$$

It follows that the  $N$ -cochain

$$\gamma(f; \text{id}, \dots, \text{id}, g_1, \text{id}, \dots, \text{id}, g_n, \text{id}, \dots, \text{id})$$

is the same as  $f \circ_{i_1, \dots, i_n} (g_1, \dots, g_n)$ . This sets up a sign-preserving bijective correspondence between the terms of the summation

$$\sum (-1)^\epsilon \gamma(f; \text{id}, \dots, \text{id}, g_1, \text{id}, \dots, \text{id}, g_n, \text{id}, \dots, \text{id}),$$

where the summation is over all possible substitutions of  $g_1, \dots, g_n$  into  $f$ , in the given order,  $\epsilon = \sum_{p=1}^n |g_p| i_p$ ,  $i_p$  being the total number of inputs in front of  $g_p$ , and the terms of the summation

$$\sum (-1)^\eta f \circ_{i_1, \dots, i_n} (g_1, \dots, g_n),$$

where the summation is over all  $i_1, \dots, i_n$  such that  $0 \leq i_1, i_1 + m_1 \leq i_2, \dots, i_{n-1} + m_{n-1} \leq i_n, i_n + m_n \leq k + \sum_{i=1}^n m_i - n$  and  $\eta = \sum_{p=1}^n |g_p| i_p$ .

Thus the braces as defined in section 3 are precisely the braces induced by the (non- $\Sigma$ ) operad structure. □

### 6. G-ALGEBRA STRUCTURE ON COHOMOLOGY

In this final section we show that the dialgebra cohomology  $HY^*(D, D)$  of a dialgebra  $D$  has a G-algebra structure which is induced from a homotopy G-algebra structure on the dialgebra cochain complex  $CY^*(D, D)$  with the differential altered by a sign.

Let us first recall the following definitions from [3].

**Definition 6.1.** A homotopy G-algebra is a brace algebra  $V = \bigoplus_n V^n$  provided with a differential  $d$  of degree one and a dot product  $x \cdot y$  of degree zero making  $V$  into a differentially graded associative algebra. The dot product must satisfy the following compatibility identities:

$$(6.1) \quad (x_1 \cdot x_2)\{y_1, \dots, y_n\} = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^\epsilon x_1\{y_1, \dots, y_k\} \cdot x_2\{y_{k+1}, \dots, y_n\},$$

where  $\epsilon = (|x_2| + 1) \sum_{p=1}^k |y_p|$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} & d(x\{x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}\}) - (dx)\{x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}\} \\ & - (-1)^{|x|} \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} (-1)^{|x_1| + \dots + |x_{i-1}|} x\{x_1, \dots, dx_i, \dots, x_{n+1}\} \\ (6.2) \quad & = (-1)^{(|x|+1)|x_1|} x_1 \cdot x\{x_2, \dots, x_{n+1}\} \\ & - (-1)^{|x|} \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{|x_1| + \dots + |x_i|} x\{x_1, \dots, x_i \cdot x_{i+1}, \dots, x_{n+1}\} \\ & + (-1)^{|x| + |x_1| + \dots + |x_n|} x\{x_1, \dots, x_n\} \cdot x_{n+1}. \end{aligned}$$

*Remark 6.2.* It should be mentioned here that the notion of homotopy G-algebras as defined above is different from the notion of strong homotopy G-algebras ( $\mathcal{G}_\infty$ -algebras, for short) as considered in [4]. A  $\mathcal{G}_\infty$ -algebra is an algebra over the minimal model of the Koszul operad describing G-algebras. However, the notion of homotopy G-algebras that we are considering do not really fit the general scheme of quadratic operad theory [5].

**Definition 6.3.** A multiplication on an operad  $\mathcal{C}$  of vector spaces is an element  $m \in \mathcal{C}(2)$  such that  $m \circ m = 0$ , where  $m \circ m := m\{m\}$  and  $\{ \}$  denote the associated braces.

The following lemma shows that the operad  $CY^*(D, D)$  is equipped with a multiplication.

**Lemma 6.4.** *The 2-cochain  $\pi \in CY^2(D, D)$  defined by*

$$(6.3) \quad \begin{cases} \pi([21]; a, b) &= a \dashv b, \\ \pi([12]; a, b) &= a \vdash b \end{cases}$$

for all  $a, b \in D$  is a multiplication on the operad  $CY^*(D, D)$ .

*Proof.* By Remark 3.5, we only need to verify that  $\pi \circ \pi = 0$ . Now, by definition of pre-Lie product as introduced in [7], we have, for  $y \in Y_3$  and  $a, b, c \in D$ ,

$$\pi \circ \pi(y; a, b, c) = (\pi \circ_0 \pi - \pi \circ_1 \pi)(y; a, b, c).$$

The proof now follows from the dialgebra axioms.  $\square$

In order to show that the dialgebra cochain complex  $CY^*(D, D)$  admits a homotopy G-algebra structure, we shall make use of Proposition 2(3) from [3], which we describe below. Let  $\mathcal{C}$  denote an operad,  $m$  a multiplication on  $\mathcal{C}$ , and let  $m \circ x$  denote  $m\{x\}$ .

**Proposition 6.5.** *The product*

$$x \cdot y := (-1)^{|x|+1} m\{x, y\}$$

of degree 0 and the differential

$$dx = m \circ x - (-1)^{|x|} x \circ m, \quad d^2 = 0, \quad \deg d = 1,$$

define the structure of a differential graded (DG) associative algebra on  $\mathcal{C}$ .

First, we observe the following two facts.

*Remark 6.6.* Note that by Lemma 6.12 of [7], the coboundary operator

$$\delta : CY^n(D, D) \longrightarrow CY^{n+1}(D, D)$$

can be expressed in the form

$$(6.4) \quad \delta f = (-1)^{|f|} (\pi \circ f - (-1)^{|f|} f \circ \pi) = (-1)^{|f|} df.$$

*Remark 6.7.* The  $*$  product, as introduced in Definition 6.8 of [7], can be expressed in terms of braces as

$$(6.5) \quad f * g = (-1)^{(|f|+1)(|g|)} \pi\{f, g\}.$$

This is because, by the definition of braces on  $CY^*(D, D)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi\{f, g\}(y; x_1, \dots, x_{p+q}) &= (-1)^{p(q-1)}\pi \circ_{0,p}(f, g)(y; x_1, \dots, x_{p+q}) \\
 &= (-1)^{p(q-1)}\pi(R_1^{0,p}(p+q; 2, p, q)y; \\
 &\quad f(R_2^{0,p}(p+q; 2, p, q)y; x_1, \dots, x_p), \\
 &\quad g(R_3^{0,p}(p+q; 2, p, q)y; x_{p+1}, \dots, x_{p+q})) \\
 &= (-1)^{p(q-1)}\pi(d_1 \cdots d_{p-1}d_{p+1} \cdots d_{p+q-1}(y); \\
 &\quad f(d_{p+1} \cdots d_{p+q}(y); x_1, \dots, x_p), \\
 &\quad g(d_0 \cdots d_{p-1}(y); x_{p+1}, \dots, x_{p+q})) \\
 &= (-1)^{p(q-1)}\pi(d_1 \cdots d_{p-1}d_{p+1} \cdots d_{p+q-1}(y); \\
 &\quad f(d_{p+1}d_{p+1} \cdots d_{p+q-1}(y); x_1, \dots, x_p), \\
 &\quad g(d_0 \cdots d_{p-1}(y); x_{p+1}, \dots, x_{p+q})) \\
 &= (-1)^{p(q-1)}\pi(R_1^0(p+1; 2, p)R_1^p(p+q; p+1, q)(y); \\
 &\quad f(R_2^0(p+1; 2, p)R_1^p(p+q; p+1, q)(y); x_1, \dots, x_p), \\
 &\quad g(R_2^p(p+q; p+1, q)(y); x_{p+1}, \dots, x_{p+q})) \\
 &= (-1)^{p(q-1)}f * g(y; x_1, \dots, x_{p+q}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Here we make use of the fact that the operator  $d_{p+q}$  in the string of operators  $d_{p+1} \cdots d_{p+q}$  can be moved to the extreme left of the same string using  $d_i d_j = d_{j-1} d_i, i < j$ , to yield  $d_{p+1} d_{p+1} \cdots d_{p+q-1}$ .

Therefore by equation (6.5), the dot product  $f \cdot g$  determined by the multiplication  $m$  as in Proposition 6.5 is in this case nothing but the  $*$  product, up to the sign  $(-1)^{(|f|+1)(|g|+1)}$ . Moreover, the differential  $d$  determined by  $m$  as in Proposition 6.5 is merely the coboundary operator  $\delta$ , up to the sign  $(-1)^{(|f|)}$ ; that is,  $df = (-1)^{(|f|)}\delta(f)$ .

Consequently, by Proposition 6.5 and Theorem 4.4, we deduce the following corollary.

**Corollary 6.8.** *The graded cochain module  $CY^*(D, D)$  equipped with the  $*$  product  $f * g$ , as introduced in [7], altered by the sign  $(-1)^{(|f|+1)(|g|+1)}$  and the coboundary  $df = (-1)^{|f|}\delta f$ , is a differential graded associative algebra.*

Next we recall Theorem 3 of [3].

**Theorem 6.9.** *A multiplication on an operad  $\mathcal{C}$  defines the structure of a homotopy  $G$ -algebra on  $\bigoplus_k \mathcal{C}(k)$ . A multiplication on a brace algebra is equivalent to the structure of a homotopy  $G$ -algebra on it.*

Thus in view of Theorem 4.4, Theorem 6.9 and Lemma 4.5 we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 6.10.** *The cochain complex  $(CY^*(D, D), d)$ , where  $df = (-1)^{|f|}\delta f$ , is a homotopy  $G$ -algebra with the dot product  $f \cdot g = (-1)^{(|f|+1)(|g|+1)}f * g$ .*

As a consequence, we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 6.11.** *The cochain complex  $(CY^*(D, D), d)$  is a differential graded Lie algebra with respect to the commutator  $[x, y] = x \circ y - (-1)^{|x||y|}y \circ x$ .*

*Proof.* The brace identity, for  $m = n = 1$ , implies that

$$x\{x_1\}\{y_1\} = x\{x_1, y_1\} + x\{x_1\{y_1\}\} + (-1)^{|x_1||y_1|}x\{y_1, x_1\},$$

as  $0 \leq i_1 \leq j_1 \leq 1$ .

Using Remark 3.5, we deduce from above that

$$(6.6) \quad (x \circ x_1) \circ y_1 - x \circ (x_1 \circ y_1) = x\{x_1, y_1\} + (-1)^{|x_1||y_1|}x\{y_1, x_1\}.$$

A straightforward computation using equation (6.6) and the fact that  $|x \circ y| = |x| + |y|$  shows that the commutator satisfies the graded Jacobi identity.

Moreover, the dot product is always *homotopy* graded commutative; that is,

$$(6.7) \quad x \cdot y - (-1)^{(|x|+1)(|y|+1)}y \cdot x = (-1)^{|x|}(d(x \circ y) - dx \circ y - (-1)^{|x|}x \circ dy).$$

This follows directly from equation (6.2), as

$$\begin{aligned} & (-1)^{|x|}(d(x \circ y) - dx \circ y - (-1)^{|x|}x \circ dy) \\ &= (-1)^{|x|}((-1)^{(|x|+1)|y|}y \cdot x + (-1)^{|x|}x \cdot y) \\ &= x \cdot y - (-1)^{(|x|+1)(|y|+1)}y \cdot x. \end{aligned}$$

Also, the differential is a derivation of the bracket. In other words,

$$d[x, y] - [dx, y] - (-1)^{|x|}[x, dy] = 0,$$

which is a direct consequence of the *homotopy* graded commutativity of the dot product. This shows that every homotopy G-algebra is a differential graded Lie algebra with respect to the commutator  $[x, y] = x \circ y - (-1)^{|x||y|}y \circ x$ .  $\square$

Next we recall the following definition from [3].

**Definition 6.12.** A G-algebra is a graded vector space  $H$  with a dot product  $x \cdot y$  defining the structure of a graded commutative algebra with a bracket  $[x, y]$  of degree  $-1$  defining the structure of a graded Lie algebra such that the bracket with an element is a derivation of the dot product:

$$[x, y \cdot z] = [x, y] \cdot z + (-1)^{|x|(|y|+1)}y \cdot [x, z].$$

**Corollary 6.13.** *The  $*$  product  $x * y$ , altered by the sign  $(-1)^{(|x|+1)(|y|+1)}$  and the bracket  $[x, y] = x \circ y - (-1)^{|x||y|}y \circ x$ , defines the structure of a G-algebra on the dialgebra cohomology  $HY^*(D, D)$  of a dialgebra  $D$ .*

*Proof.* First observe that

$$HY^n(D, D) = H^n((CY^*(D, D), \delta)) = H^n((CY^*(D, D), d)).$$

The fact that the dot product  $x \cdot y = (-1)^{|x|+1}\pi\{x, y\}$  lifts to the cohomology follows from Proposition 6.5. Equation (6.7) implies that this dot product is graded commutative. Moreover, by Corollary 6.11, the bracket  $[x, y] = x \circ y - (-1)^{|x||y|}y \circ x$  of degree  $-1$  defines the structure of a graded Lie algebra on  $HY^*(D, D)$ . It remains to show that the bracket with an element is a derivation of the dot product.

First we show that the commutator  $[x, y] = x \circ y - (-1)^{|x||y|}y \circ x$  for all  $x, y \in CY^*(D, D)$  is a graded derivation of the dot product up to null homotopy; that is,

$$\begin{aligned} & [x, y \cdot z] - [x, y] \cdot z - (-1)^{|x|(|y|+1)}y \cdot [x, z] \\ &= (-1)^{|x|+|y|+1}(d(x\{y, z\}) - (dx)\{y, z\} - (-1)^{|x|}x\{dy, z\} - (-1)^{|x|+|y|}x\{y, dz\}). \end{aligned}$$

By definition of the commutator, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& [x, y \cdot z] - [x, y] \cdot z - (-1)^{|x|(|y|+1)} y \cdot [x, z] \\
&= x \circ (y \cdot z) - (-1)^{|x||y \cdot z|} (y \cdot z) \circ x - (x \circ y - (-1)^{|x||y|} y \circ x) \cdot z \\
&\quad - (-1)^{|x|(|y|+1)} y \cdot (x \circ z - (-1)^{|x||z|} z \circ x) \\
&= (x \circ (y \cdot z) - (-1)^{|x|(|y|+1)} y \cdot (x \circ z) - (x \circ y) \cdot z) \\
&\quad - (-1)^{|x||y \cdot z|} (y \cdot z) \circ x - (-1)^{|x||y|} (y \circ x) \cdot z + (-1)^{|x|(|y|+|z|+1)} y \cdot (z \circ x) \\
&= (x \circ y \cdot z - (-1)^{|x|(|y|+1)} y \cdot (x \circ z) - (x \circ y) \cdot z) \\
&\quad - (-1)^{|x|(|y|+|z|+1)} ((y \cdot z) \circ x - y \cdot (z \circ x) + (-1)^{|x|(|z|+1)} y \circ x \cdot z) \\
&= x \circ y \cdot z - (-1)^{|x|(|y|+1)} y \cdot (x \circ z) - (x \circ y) \cdot z
\end{aligned}$$

(as  $((y \cdot z) \circ x - y \cdot (z \circ x) + (-1)^{|x|(|z|+1)} y \circ x \cdot z) = 0$ , by equation (6.1))

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (-1)^{|x|+|y|+1} (d(x\{y, z\}) - (dx)\{y, z\} - (-1)^{|x|} x\{dy, z\} \\
&\quad - (-1)^{|x|+|y|} x\{y, dz\})
\end{aligned}$$

by equation (6.2). This implies that  $[x, y \cdot z] = [x, y] \cdot z + (-1)^{|x|(|y|+1)} y \cdot [x, z]$  for all  $x, y, z \in HY^*(D, D)$ . Thus  $HY^*(D, D)$  admits a G-algebra structure.  $\square$

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