

On the Homotopy Lie Algebra of an Arrangement

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1. Definitions and Statement of Results

1.1. Holonomy and Homotopy Lie Algebras

Fix a field \mathbb{k} of characteristic 0. Let A be a graded, graded-commutative algebra over \mathbb{k} with graded piece A_k , $k \geq 0$. We will assume throughout that A is locally finite, connected, and generated in degree 1. In other words, $A = T(V)/I$, where V is a finite-dimensional \mathbb{k} -vector space, $T(V) = \bigoplus_{k \geq 0} V^{\otimes k}$ is the tensor algebra on V , and I is a two-sided ideal generated in degrees 2 and higher. To such an algebra A , one naturally associates two graded Lie algebras over \mathbb{k} (see e.g. [3; 14]).

DEFINITION 1.1. The *holonomy Lie algebra* \mathfrak{h}_A is the quotient of the free Lie algebra on the dual of A_1 modulo the ideal generated by the image of the transpose of the multiplication map $\mu: A_1 \wedge A_1 \rightarrow A_2$; thus,

$$\mathfrak{h}_A = \text{Lie}(A_1^*) / \text{ideal}(\text{im}(\mu^*: A_2^* \rightarrow A_1^* \wedge A_1^*)). \quad (1)$$

Note that \mathfrak{h}_A depends only on the quadratic closure of A : if we put $\bar{A} = T(V)/(I_2)$ then $\mathfrak{h}_A = \mathfrak{h}_{\bar{A}}$.

DEFINITION 1.2. The *homotopy Lie algebra* \mathfrak{g}_A is the graded Lie algebra of primitive elements in the Yoneda algebra of A :

$$\mathfrak{g}_A = \text{Prim}(\text{Ext}_A(\mathbb{k}, \mathbb{k})). \quad (2)$$

In other words, the universal enveloping algebra of the homotopy Lie algebra is the Yoneda algebra:

$$U(\mathfrak{g}_A) = \text{Ext}_A(\mathbb{k}, \mathbb{k}). \quad (3)$$

The algebra $U = \text{Ext}_A(\mathbb{k}, \mathbb{k})$ is a bigraded algebra; let us write U^{pq} to denote cohomological degree p and polynomial degree q . Then $U^{pq} = 0$ unless $-q \geq p$. The subalgebra $R = \bigoplus_{p \geq 0} U^{p, -p}$ is called the *linear strand* of U . For convenience we will let $U_q^p = U^{p, -p-q}$, where the lower index q is called the *internal*

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