A periodic projective bimodule resolution of an algebra associated with a cyclic quiver and a separable algebra, and the Hochschild cohomology ring

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Abstract. Let Δ be a separable algebra over a commutative ring R and f(x) a monic polynomial over the center of Δ . We deal with the R-algebra $\Lambda = \Delta \Gamma / (f(X^s))$, where $\Delta \Gamma$ is the path algebra of the cyclic quiver Γ with s vertices and s arrows, and X is the sum of all arrows. We show that Λ has a periodic projective bimodule resolution of period 2. Moreover, by using the resolution, we describe the structure of the Hochschild cohomology ring of Λ by means of the Yoneda product.

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§1. Introduction

The Hochschild cohomology rings of path algebras of an oriented cyclic quiver with relations have been studied by some authors. Let A be the algebra $K\Gamma/(h(X))$ over a commutative ring K, where $K\Gamma$ is the path algebra of the oriented cyclic quiver Γ with s vertices and s arrows, h(x) is a monic polynomial over K and X is the sum of all arrows in $K\Gamma$. If K is a field and $h(x) = x^k$ for an integer $k \ge 2$, then $A = K\Gamma/(X^k)$ is a basic selfinjective Nakayama algebra and the Hochschild cohomology ring of the algebra is determined by Erdmann and Holm [EH]. Also, if s = 1, then A is equal to K[x]/(h(x)) and the structure of the Hochschild cohomology ring of Ais described by Holm [H]. Furthermore, if $s \ge 2$ and $h(x) = f(x^s)$ with a monic polynomial f(x) over K, then the Hochschild cohomology ring of $A = K\Gamma/(f(X^s))$ is determined by Furuya and Sanada [FS]. M. SUDA

On the other hand, $\Delta\Gamma/(X^s - \alpha)$, a path algebra over a noncommutative ring Δ with a relation, is isomorphic to a subalgebra $B = \Delta[E_{11}, E_{22}, \ldots, E_{ss}, C]$ of the full matrix ring $M_s(\Delta)$ (see Lemma 6.1). We are interested in the Hochschild cohomology for a class of matrix algebras including the above Band basic hereditary orders which we studied in [SS]. Thus we will consider a general case that the coefficient rings of path algebras are noncommutative.

In this paper, we deal with the algebra $\Lambda = \Delta \Gamma/(f(X^s))$ over R, where Δ is a separable algebra over a commutative ring R, which is finitely generated projective as an R-module, and f(x) a monic polynomial over the center of Δ . Using methods similar to [FS] and [SS], we show that the R-algebra Λ has a periodic projective bimodule resolution of period 2 and calculate the Hochschild cohomology ring HH^{*}(Λ) of Λ by means of the Yoneda product. We note that if $\Delta = R$ then the same results for s = 1 and $s \geq 2$ have been given in [H] by the cup product and in [FS] by the Yoneda product, respectively.

The content of the paper is as follows. In Section 2, we give the definitions and the notation. Then we have some Λ^e -projective modules which are direct summands of $\Lambda \otimes_R \Lambda$ and are used to give the resolution of Λ , where Λ^e denotes the enveloping algebra of Λ . In Section 3, by using the Λ^{e} -projective modules, we construct a periodic Λ^e -projective resolution of period 2 of Λ (Theorem 3.2). In Section 4, we compute the Hochschild cohomology groups of Λ . The complex which is obtained by the Λ^e -projective resolution and is used to give the Hochschild cohomology groups of Λ has a difference between the case $s \ge 2$ and the case s = 1. Hence, we deal with the case $s \ge 2$ in Section 4.2 (Theorem 4.4) and the case s = 1 in Section 4.3 (Theorem 4.5). In Section 5, we describe the structure of the Hochschild cohomology ring of A by means of the Yoneda product. We deal with the case $s \ge 2$ in Section 5.1 (Theorems 5.2 and 5.4) and the case s = 1 in Section 5.2 (Theorems 5.11) and 5.13). In Section 6, we give some applications (Propositions 6.2 and 6.3). We remark that if $\Delta = R$ then the results of Propositions 6.2 and 6.3 coincide with [KSS, Theorem 1.1] and [H, Theorem 7.1], respectively.

§2. Preliminaries

Let Δ be an algebra over a commutative ring R, s a positive integer and Γ the oriented cyclic quiver with s vertices e_1, e_2, \ldots, e_s and s arrows a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_s such that a_i starts at e_i and ends at e_{i+1} . We consider the *path algebra* $\Delta\Gamma := \Delta \otimes_R R\Gamma$ over R, where $R\Gamma$ is the path algebra of Γ over R. Hence $a_i = e_{i+1}a_ie_i$ holds for each $1 \leq i \leq s$, where the subscripts i of e_i are considered to be modulo s. We put $X = a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_s$ and $f(x) = x^n + z_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \cdots + z_1x + z_0 \in Z(\Delta)[x]$, where f(x) is a monic polynomial

over the center $Z(\Delta)$ of Δ . Note that $Xe_i = e_{i+1}X$ for $1 \leq i \leq s$. In this paper, we deal with the *R*-algebra $\Lambda := \Delta\Gamma/(f(X^s))$, where $(f(X^s))$ is the two-sided ideal of $\Delta\Gamma$ generated by $f(X^s)$. Note that $f(X^s)$ is an element of $Z(\Delta\Gamma)$, so $(f(X^s)) = f(X^s)\Delta\Gamma$. Thus we have $\Lambda = \bigoplus_{i=1}^s \bigoplus_{k=0}^{ns-1} \Delta X^k e_i$ and rank $\Delta\Lambda = ns^2$. We identify Λ with $\Delta[x]/(f(x))$ in the case s = 1.

Throughout the paper, we denote \otimes_R by \otimes and the enveloping algebra $\Lambda \otimes \Lambda^\circ$ of Λ by Λ^e . We assume that Δ is a separable *R*-algebra which is projective as an *R*-module from now on. Then Δ is a finitely generated *R*-module. If s = 1 and n = 1 then $\Lambda = \Delta$ has trivial cohomology, so we assume $n \geq 2$ in the case s = 1.

It is well known that Δ is a separable *R*-algebra if and only if there exist $(x_{\nu})_{1 \leq \nu \leq m}$ and $(y_{\nu})_{1 \leq \nu \leq m}$ in Δ such that

(2.1)
$$\sum_{\nu=1}^{m} x_{\nu} y_{\nu} = 1$$

and

(2.2)
$$\sum_{\nu=1}^{m} (ax_{\nu}) \otimes y_{\nu}^{\circ} = \sum_{\nu=1}^{m} x_{\nu} \otimes (y_{\nu}a)^{\circ} \quad \text{for all } a \in \Delta.$$

We set $\delta^e = \sum_{\nu=1}^m x_\nu \otimes y_\nu^\circ \in \Delta^e$, which is called a separating idempotent for Δ (cf. [P]). Note that $\delta^e \delta^e = \delta^e$ and $\delta^e \Delta := \{\sum_{\nu=1}^m x_\nu a y_\nu \mid a \in \Delta\} = Z(\Delta)$. We regard elements in Δ as elements in Λ by the natural embedding $\Delta \to \Lambda$. Since there exists the left Λ^e -isomorphism $\Lambda^e \xrightarrow{\sim} \Lambda \otimes \Lambda$; $a \otimes b^\circ \mapsto a \otimes b$, if we denote the image of δ^e by δ , i.e., $\delta = \sum_{\nu=1}^m x_\nu \otimes y_\nu \in \Lambda \otimes \Lambda$, then

holds by (2.2). Moreover, since $(e_i \otimes e_j^{\circ})\delta^e$ is an idempotent for Λ^e , we have that $\Lambda^e((e_i \otimes e_j^{\circ})\delta^e)$ is a left Λ^e -projective module for each $1 \leq i, j \leq s$, hence we can define the following left Λ^e -projective modules which are direct summands of $\Lambda \otimes \Lambda$:

$$P_0 = \bigoplus_{i=1}^s \Lambda e_i \delta e_i \Lambda, \quad P_1 = \bigoplus_{i=1}^s \Lambda e_{i+1} \delta e_i \Lambda.$$

Note that $P_0 = P_1 = \Lambda \delta \Lambda$ in the case s = 1.

§3. A periodic Λ^e -projective resolution of Λ

In this section, we will construct a periodic Λ^{e} -projective resolution of period 2 of Λ by using the left Λ^{e} -projective modules P_{0} and P_{1} defined in Section 2.

Lemma 3.1. There exist the left Λ^e -homomorphisms $\phi : P_1 \to P_0$ and $\kappa :$ $\Lambda \rightarrow P_1$ which satisfy the following:

$$\phi(e_{i+1}\delta e_i) = e_{i+1}(X\delta - \delta X)e_i,$$

$$\kappa(e_i) = e_i\left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j\left(\sum_{l=0}^{js-1} X^l \delta X^{js-l-1}\right)\right)e_i$$

for $1 \leq i \leq s$, where we set $z_n = 1$.

Proof. We define the left Λ^e -homomorphism $\tilde{\phi} : \Lambda \otimes \Lambda \to \Lambda \otimes \Lambda$ by $\tilde{\phi}(1 \otimes 1) = X\delta - \delta X$. Then, by (2.1), (2.3) and $Xe_i = e_{i+1}X$ for $1 \leq i \leq s$, we have

$$\widetilde{\phi}(e_{i+1}\delta e_i) = \left((e_{i+1} \otimes e_i^{\circ})\delta^e \right) \widetilde{\phi}(1 \otimes 1) = \left((e_{i+1} \otimes e_i^{\circ})\delta^e \right) (X\delta - \delta X)$$
$$= \left(e_{i+1} \otimes e_i^{\circ} \right) \sum_{\nu=1}^m (Xx_{\nu}\delta y_{\nu} - x_{\nu}\delta y_{\nu}X)$$
$$= \left(e_{i+1} \otimes e_i^{\circ} \right) \left(X\delta \left(\sum_{\nu=1}^m x_{\nu}y_{\nu} \right) - \left(\sum_{\nu=1}^m x_{\nu}y_{\nu} \right) \delta X \right)$$
$$= e_{i+1} (X\delta - \delta X) e_i \in P_0.$$

Hence, if we set $\tilde{\phi}|_{P_1} = \phi$ then ϕ is the desired left Λ^e -homomorphism. Next, we define the left Λ -homomorphism $\kappa : \Lambda = \bigoplus_{i=1}^s \Lambda e_i \to P_1$ by

$$\kappa(e_i) = e_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{js-1} X^l \delta X^{js-l-1} \right) \right) e_i,$$

since $X^k e_i = e_{i+k} X^k$ holds for $1 \le i \le s$ and $k \ge 0$. We will show that κ is a right Λ -homomorphism. First, note that $\kappa(e_i e_j) = \kappa(e_i) e_j$ for $1 \le i, j \le s$. Second, by (2.3), we have

$$\kappa(e_i X) - \kappa(e_i) X = X \kappa(e_{i-1}) - \kappa(e_i) X$$

$$= X e_{i-1} \left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{js-1} X^l \delta X^{js-l-1} \right) \right) e_{i-1}$$

$$- e_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{js-1} X^l \delta X^{js-l-1} \right) \right) e_i X$$

$$= e_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{js-1} X^{l+1} \delta X^{js-l-1} \right) \right) e_{i-1}$$

$$-e_i\left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j\left(\sum_{l=0}^{js-1} X^l \delta X^{js-l}\right)\right)e_{i-1}$$
$$=e_i\left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j(X^{js}\delta - \delta X^{js})\right)e_{i-1}$$
$$=e_i\left(\left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j X^{js}\right)\delta - \delta\left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j X^{js}\right)\right)e_{i-1}$$
$$=e_i((-z_0)\delta - \delta(-z_0))e_{i-1} = e_i(-z_0\delta + z_0\delta)e_{i-1} = 0.$$

Hence, $\kappa(e_iX) = \kappa(e_i)X$ holds. Finally, we show that $\kappa(e_i\lambda) = \kappa(e_i)\lambda$ for all $\lambda \in \Lambda$. Note that $\kappa(ae_i) = a\kappa(e_i) = \kappa(e_i)a$ for all $a \in \Delta$, since $z_1, z_2, \ldots, z_{n-1}, z_n$ are elements of $Z(\Delta)$. If we set $\lambda = \sum_{j=1}^s \sum_{k=0}^{ns-1} a_{jk}X^k e_j$ $\in \Lambda$ $(a_{jk} \in \Delta)$ then it follows that

$$\kappa(e_i)\lambda = \kappa(e_i)e_i\lambda = \kappa(e_i)\sum_{j=1}^s \sum_{k=0}^{ns-1} a_{jk}X^k e_{i-k}e_j = \sum_{j=1}^s \sum_{k=0}^{ns-1} \kappa(a_{jk}e_i)X^k e_{i-k}e_j$$
$$= \kappa \left(\sum_{j=1}^s \sum_{k=0}^{ns-1} a_{jk}e_iX^k e_{i-k}e_j\right) = \kappa \left(e_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^s \sum_{k=0}^{ns-1} a_{jk}X^k e_j\right)\right) = \kappa(e_i\lambda).$$

This completes the proof of the lemma. $\hfill \Box$

Theorem 3.2. There exists the following exact sequence of left Λ^e -modules which is (Λ, Δ) -split:

$$(3.1) 0 \longrightarrow \Lambda \xrightarrow{\kappa} P_1 \xrightarrow{\phi} P_0 \xrightarrow{\pi} \Lambda \longrightarrow 0,$$

where $\pi : P_0 \to \Lambda$ is the multiplication map. Hence we have the periodic left Λ^e -projective resolution of period 2:

(3.2)
$$\cdots \longrightarrow P_1 \xrightarrow{d_1} P_0 \xrightarrow{d_0} P_1 \xrightarrow{d_1} P_0 \xrightarrow{\pi} \Lambda \longrightarrow 0,$$

where d_1 and d_0 are left Λ^e -homomorphisms given by

$$d_1(e_{i+1}\delta e_i) = \phi(e_{i+1}\delta e_i) = e_{i+1}(X\delta - \delta X)e_i,$$

$$d_0(e_i\delta e_i) = (\kappa\pi)(e_i\delta e_i) = e_i\left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j\left(\sum_{l=0}^{js-1} X^l\delta X^{js-l-1}\right)\right)e_i$$

for $1 \leq i \leq s$.

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To prove Theorem 3.2, we prepare the following lemmas.

Lemma 3.3. The sequence (3.1) is a complex of left Λ^e -modules. *Proof.* Since $\pi(\delta) = \sum_{\nu=1}^m x_{\nu} y_{\nu} = 1$, we have

$$(\pi\phi)(e_{i+1}\delta e_i) = \pi(e_{i+1}(X\delta - \delta X)e_i) = e_{i+1}(X - X)e_i = 0$$

and

$$\begin{split} (\phi\kappa)(e_i) &= \phi \left(e_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{j_s-1} X^l \delta X^{j_s-l-1} \right) \right) \right) e_i \right) \\ &= \phi \left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{j_s-1} X^l e_{i-l} \delta e_{i-l-1} X^{j_s-l-1} \right) \right) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{j_s-1} X^l e_{i-l} (X\delta - \delta X) e_{i-l-1} X^{j_s-l-1} \right) \\ &= e_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{j_s-1} (X^{l+1} \delta X^{j_s-l-1} - X^l \delta X^{j_s-l}) \right) \right) e_i \\ &= e_i \left(\left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j (X^{j_s} \delta - \delta X^{j_s}) \right) e_i \\ &= e_i \left(\left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j X^{j_s} \right) \delta - \delta \left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j X^{j_s} \right) \right) e_i \\ &= e_i ((-z_0)\delta - \delta(-z_0)) e_i = 0 \end{split}$$

for $1 \leq i \leq s$. This completes the proof of the lemma. \Box

Lemma 3.4. There exist the (Λ, Δ) -homomorphisms $h_{-1} : \Lambda \to P_0, h_0 : P_0 \to P_1$ and $h_1 : P_1 \to \Lambda$ which satisfy the following:

$$h_{-1}(1) = \sum_{j=1}^{s} e_j \delta e_j,$$

$$h_0(e_i \delta e_i X^k) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } k = 0, \\ -e_i \left(\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} X^j \delta X^{k-j-1} \right) e_{i-k} & \text{if } 1 \le k \le ns - 1, \end{cases}$$

$$h_1(e_{i+1}\delta e_i X^k) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 \le k \le ns - 2, \\ e_{i+1} & \text{if } k = ns - 1, \end{cases}$$

for $1 \leq i \leq s$, where we denote a left Λ - and right Δ -homomorphism by a (Λ, Δ) -homomorphism. Then $\{h_{-1}, h_0, h_1\}$ is a contracting homotopy of (3.1).

Proof. If we define the left Λ -homomorphism $h_{-1} : \Lambda \to P_0$ by $h_{-1}(1) = \sum_{j=1}^s e_j \delta e_j$, then it is clear that h_{-1} is a (Λ, Δ) -homomorphism by (2.3). Next, since $X^k e_i = e_{i+\underline{k}} X^k$ holds for $1 \leq i \leq s$ and $k \geq 0$, we define the (Λ, Δ) -homomorphisms $\tilde{h}_0 : \Lambda \otimes \Lambda \to P_1$ and $\tilde{h}_1 : \Lambda \otimes \Lambda \to \Lambda$ by

$$\widetilde{h}_{0}(1 \otimes e_{i}X^{k}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } k = 0, \\ -\left(\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} X^{j} \delta X^{k-j-1}\right) e_{i-k} & \text{if } 1 \le k \le ns-1, \end{cases}$$
$$\widetilde{h}_{1}(1 \otimes e_{i}X^{k}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 \le k \le ns-2, \\ e_{i+1} & \text{if } k = ns-1, \end{cases}$$

for $1 \leq i \leq s$. If we set $\tilde{h}_0|_{P_0} = h_0$ and $\tilde{h}_1|_{P_1} = h_1$, then it easily follows that h_0 and h_1 are the desired (Λ, Δ) -homomorphisms by (2.1) and (2.3).

(1) $\pi h_{-1} = \mathrm{id}_{\Lambda}$; For all $\lambda \in \Lambda$, we have

$$(\pi h_{-1})(\lambda) = \pi \left(\lambda \left(\sum_{j=1}^{s} e_j \delta e_j \right) \right) = \lambda \left(\sum_{j=1}^{s} e_j \right) = \lambda.$$

Hence we get the desired equation.

- (2) $h_{-1}\pi + \phi h_0 = \mathrm{id}_{P_0};$
 - (a) Case k = 0: For $1 \le i \le s$, we have

$$(h_{-1}\pi + \phi h_0)(e_i \delta e_i) = h_{-1}(e_i) + \phi(0) = e_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^s e_j \delta e_j\right) = e_i \delta e_i.$$

(b) Case $1 \le k \le ns - 1$: For $1 \le i \le s$, we have

$$(h_{-1}\pi + \phi h_0)(e_i\delta e_iX^k)$$

= $h_{-1}(e_iX^k) - \phi\left(e_i\left(\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} X^j\delta X^{k-j-1}e_{i-k}\right)\right)$

$$= e_i X^k \left(\sum_{j=1}^s e_j \delta e_j \right) - e_i \left(\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} X^j (X\delta - \delta X) X^{k-j-1} \right) e_{i-k}$$
$$= X^k e_{i-k} \delta e_{i-k} - e_i \left(\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} (X^{j+1} \delta X^{k-j-1} - X^j \delta X^{k-j}) \right) e_{i-k}$$
$$= e_i X^k \delta e_{i-k} - e_i (X^k \delta - \delta X^k) e_{i-k} = e_i \delta e_i X^k.$$

Hence we get the desired equation.

- (3) $h_0\phi + \kappa h_1 = \operatorname{id}_{P_1};$
 - (a) Case k = 0: For $1 \le i \le s$, we have

$$(h_0\phi + \kappa h_1)(e_{i+1}\delta e_i) = h_0(e_{i+1}(X\delta - \delta X)e_i) + \kappa(0) = h_0(Xe_i\delta e_i - e_{i+1}\delta e_{i+1}X) = e_{i+1}\delta e_i.$$

(b) Case $1 \le k \le ns - 2$: For $1 \le i \le s$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (h_0\phi + \kappa h_1)(e_{i+1}\delta e_i X^k) \\ &= h_0 \Big(e_{i+1}(X\delta - \delta X)e_i X^k \Big) + \kappa(0) = h_0 (Xe_i\delta e_i X^k - e_{i+1}\delta e_{i+1} X^{k+1}) \\ &= -Xe_i \left(\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} X^j \delta X^{k-j-1} \right) e_{i-k} + e_{i+1} \left(\sum_{j=0}^k X^j \delta X^{k-j} \right) e_{i-k} \\ &= -e_{i+1} \left(\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} X^{j+1} \delta X^{k-j-1} \right) e_{i-k} + e_{i+1} \left(\sum_{j=0}^k X^j \delta X^{k-j} \right) e_{i-k} \\ &= e_{i+1} \delta X^k e_{i-k} = e_{i+1} \delta e_i X^k. \end{aligned}$$

(c) Case k = ns - 1: For $1 \le i \le s$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (h_0\phi + \kappa h_1)(e_{i+1}\delta e_i X^{ns-1}) \\ &= h_0 (e_{i+1}(X\delta - \delta X)e_i X^{ns-1}) + \kappa (e_{i+1}) \\ &= h_0 (Xe_i\delta e_i X^{ns-1} - e_{i+1}\delta e_{i+1} X^{ns}) + \kappa (e_{i+1}) \\ &= -Xe_i \left(\sum_{j=0}^{ns-2} X^j \delta X^{ns-j-2}\right) e_{i+1} \\ &+ h_0 \left(e_{i+1}\delta e_{i+1} \left(\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} z_j X^{js}\right)\right) + \kappa (e_{i+1}) \\ &= -e_{i+1} \left(\sum_{j=0}^{ns-2} X^{j+1} \delta X^{ns-j-2}\right) e_{i+1} + \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} z_j h_0 (e_{i+1}\delta e_{i+1} X^{js}) + \kappa (e_{i+1}) \end{aligned}$$

$$= -e_{i+1} \left(\sum_{j=0}^{ns-2} X^{j+1} \delta X^{ns-j-2} \right) e_{i+1} - \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} z_j e_{i+1} \left(\sum_{l=0}^{js-1} X^l \delta X^{js-l-1} \right) e_{i+1} \\ + e_{i+1} \left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{js-1} X^l \delta X^{js-l-1} \right) \right) e_{i+1} \\ = -e_{i+1} \left(\sum_{j=0}^{ns-2} X^{j+1} \delta X^{ns-j-2} \right) e_{i+1} + e_{i+1} \left(\sum_{l=0}^{ns-1} X^l \delta X^{ns-l-1} \right) e_{i+1} \\ = e_{i+1} \delta X^{ns-1} e_{i+1} = e_{i+1} \delta e_i X^{ns-1}.$$

Hence we get the desired equation.

(4) $h_1 \kappa = \mathrm{id}_{\Lambda}$; For $1 \leq i \leq s$, we have

$$(h_1\kappa)(e_i) = h_1 \left(e_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{js-1} X^l \delta X^{js-l-1} \right) \right) e_i \right)$$
$$= h_1 \left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{js-1} X^l e_{i-l} \delta e_{i-l-1} X^{js-l-1} \right) \right)$$
$$= h_1(e_i \delta e_{i-1} X^{ns-1}) = e_i.$$

Hence we get the desired equation.

These complete the proof of the lemma. \Box

Proof of Theorem 3.2. We have the exact sequence (3.1) of left Λ^e -modules which is (Λ, Δ) -split by means of Lemmas 3.3 and 3.4. Then the latter statement is clear. \Box

§4. The Hochschild cohomology groups of Λ

In this section, we compute the Hochschild cohomology group $\operatorname{HH}^t(\Lambda) := \operatorname{Ext}_{\Lambda^e}^t(\Lambda, \Lambda)$ of Λ for each $t \geq 0$ by means of the projective Λ^e -resolution (3.2). We regard $\operatorname{HH}^t(\Lambda)$ as a $Z(\Lambda)$ -module. Since the resolution (3.2) is periodic of period 2, we have a $Z(\Lambda)$ -isomorphism $\operatorname{HH}^{i+2}(\Lambda) \simeq \operatorname{HH}^i(\Lambda)$ for each $i \geq 1$. Therefore, it suffices to compute $\operatorname{HH}^t(\Lambda)$ for t = 0, 1, 2.

4.1. Some lemmas

In this subsection, we give some lemmas in order to calculate the Hochschild cohomology groups of Λ .

Lemma 4.1. We have $Z(\Delta\Gamma) = Z(\Delta)[X^s]$. Also we have

$$Z(\Lambda) = \left(Z(\Delta)[X^s] + (f(X^s)) \right) / (f(X^s)) \simeq Z(\Delta)[X^s] / \left(Z(\Delta)[X^s] \cap (f(X^s)) \right)$$

as rings, where $Z(\Delta)[X^s] \cap (f(X^s))$ is equal to the ideal of $Z(\Delta)[X^s]$ generated by $f(X^s)$. So we have $Z(\Lambda) \simeq Z(\Delta)[x]/(f(x))$ as rings.

Proof. First, we will show $Z(\Delta\Gamma) = Z(\Delta)[X^s]$. Let

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^{s} \sum_{j=0}^{N} b_{i,j} X^{j} e_{i} \in Z(\Delta\Gamma), \quad \text{where } b_{i,j} \in \Delta \text{ and } N \ge 0.$$

Then we have

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^{s} \sum_{l=0}^{q} b_{i,ls} X^{ls} e_i$$
, where $N = sq + r$ and $0 \le r \le s - 1$,

since $ye_p = ye_pe_p = e_pye_p$ for $1 \le p \le s$. Next, we have $b_{1,ls} = b_{2,ls} = \cdots = b_{s,ls}$, since $y(Xe_p) = (Xe_p)y$ for $1 \le p \le s$. So it follows that

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^{s} \sum_{l=0}^{q} b_{1,ls} X^{ls} e_i = \sum_{l=0}^{q} b_{1,ls} X^{ls} \in \Delta[X^s].$$

Moreover, we have $b_{1,ls} \in Z(\Delta)$ for $0 \leq l \leq q$, since ay = ya for all $a \in \Delta$. Hence $Z(\Delta\Gamma) \subset Z(\Delta)[X^s]$ holds. The converse inclusion follows from the fact that $X^s \in Z(\Delta\Gamma)$ and $Z(\Delta) \subset Z(\Delta\Gamma)$. Therefore we have the desired equation.

Second, we will show $Z(\Lambda) = (Z(\Delta)[X^s] + (f(X^s)))/(f(X^s))$. Let

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^{s} \sum_{j=0}^{ns-1} b_{i,j} X^{j} e_{i} \in Z(\Lambda), \quad \text{where } b_{i,j} \in \Delta.$$

By similar calculation, we have

$$y = \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} b_{1,ls} X^{ls} \in \left(\Delta[X^s] + (f(X^s)) \right) / (f(X^s)),$$

hence $Z(\Lambda) \subset (Z(\Delta)[X^s] + (f(X^s)))/(f(X^s))$. The converse inclusion follows from the fact that $X^s \in Z(\Lambda)$ and $(Z(\Delta) + (f(X^s)))/(f(X^s)) \subset Z(\Lambda)$. Therefore we have the desired equation. It is clear that the ring isomorphism

$$\left(Z(\Delta)[X^s] + (f(X^s))\right) / (f(X^s)) \simeq Z(\Delta)[X^s] / \left(Z(\Delta)[X^s] \cap (f(X^s))\right)$$

exists.

Third, let I be the ideal of $Z(\Delta)[X^s]$ generated by $f(X^s)$. We will show $I = Z(\Delta)[X^s] \cap (f(X^s))$. Since $f(X^s) \in Z(\Delta\Gamma)$, we set

$$y = f(X^s)v \in Z(\Delta)[X^s] \cap (f(X^s)), \text{ where } v \in \Delta\Gamma.$$

Then we have yu = uy for all $u \in \Delta\Gamma$, hence it follows that $f(X^s)(vu-uv) = 0$. Now we will show that $f(X^s)$ is not a zero divisor in $\Delta\Gamma$. Let

$$0 \neq w = \sum_{i=1}^{s} \sum_{j=0}^{N} b_{i,j} X^{j} e_{i} \in \Delta \Gamma, \quad \text{where } b_{i,j} \in \Delta \text{ and } N \ge 0,$$

i.e., $b_{i_0,N} \neq 0$ for some $1 \leq i_0 \leq s$. If $f(X^s)w = 0$, then $b_{i_0,N} = 0$ since $f(X^s)we_{i_0} = 0$. This contradicts the assumption. So $f(X^s)$ is not a zero divisor. Hence we have vu = uv for all $u \in \Delta\Gamma$, i.e., $v \in Z(\Delta\Gamma) = Z(\Delta)[X^s]$. Therefore $y = f(X^s)v \in I$, so $Z(\Delta)[X^s] \cap (f(X^s)) \subset I$. The converse inclusion follows from $f(X^s) \in Z(\Delta)[X^s]$. Hence we have $I = Z(\Delta)[X^s] \cap (f(X^s))$ as required.

Finally, we will show $Z(\Lambda) \simeq Z(\Delta)[x]/(f(x))$ as rings. It is clear that the map

$$Z(\Delta)[X^s]/I \longrightarrow Z(\Delta)[x]/(f(x)); \quad X^s \longmapsto x$$

is a ring isomorphism. Therefore we have the ring isomorphism as required. This completes the proof of the lemma. \Box

By this lemma, we also regard $\operatorname{HH}^t(\Lambda)$ as a $Z(\Delta)[x]/(f(x))$ -module for $t \ge 0$.

Lemma 4.2. We have $e_{i+k}\Lambda e_i = (\Delta[X^s]X^k e_i + (f(X^s)))/(f(X^s))$ for $1 \le i \le s$ and $0 \le k \le s - 1$. Moreover, we have $\delta^e(e_{i+k}\Lambda e_i) = Z(\Lambda)X^k e_i$ which is a free $Z(\Lambda)$ -module of rank 1.

Proof. For $0 \le k \le s - 1$ and $1 \le i \le s$, let

$$y = \sum_{p=1}^{s} \sum_{j=0}^{ns-1} b_{p,j} X^{j} e_{p} \in e_{i+k} \Lambda e_{i}, \quad \text{where } b_{p,j} \in \Delta$$

Then we have

$$y = e_{i+k}ye_i = \sum_{j=0}^{ns-1} b_{i,j}X^j e_{i+k-j}e_i$$
$$= \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} b_{i,k+ls}X^{k+ls}e_i \in \left(\Delta[X^s]X^k e_i + (f(X^s))\right) / (f(X^s)).$$

hence $e_{i+k}\Lambda e_i \subset (\Delta[X^s]X^k e_i + (f(X^s)))/(f(X^s))$. It is clear that the converse inclusion holds. Moreover we have

$$\delta^{e}(e_{i+k}\Lambda e_{i}) = \delta^{e} \left(\Delta[X^{s}]X^{k}e_{i} + (f(X^{s})) \right) / (f(X^{s}))$$
$$= \left((\delta^{e}\Delta)[X^{s}]X^{k}e_{i} + (f(X^{s})) \right) / (f(X^{s}))$$
$$= \left(Z(\Delta)[X^{s}]X^{k}e_{i} + (f(X^{s})) \right) / (f(X^{s}))$$
$$= Z(\Lambda)X^{k}e_{i}$$

by Lemma 4.1. We will show that $Z(\Lambda)X^k e_i$ is a free $Z(\Lambda)$ -module of rank 1. Let $z = \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} b_l X^{ls} \in Z(\Lambda)$ where $b_l \in \Delta$. If $zX^k e_i = 0$, then we have $b_l = 0$ for $0 \le l \le n-1$, hence z = 0 follows. \Box

By this lemma, for $1 \le i \le s$ and $0 \le k \le s - 1$, there exist the following $Z(\Lambda)$ -isomorphisms:

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\Lambda^{e}}(\Lambda e_{i+k}\delta e_{i}\Lambda,\Lambda) \xrightarrow{\sim} \left((e_{i+k} \otimes e_{i}^{\circ})\delta^{e} \right)\Lambda = Z(\Lambda)X^{k}e_{i};$$
$$\phi \longmapsto \phi(e_{i+k}\delta e_{i}),$$

since $(e_{i+k} \otimes e_i^\circ) \delta^e$ are idempotents in Λ^e , where we regard $\operatorname{Hom}_{\Lambda^e}(\Lambda e_{i+k} \delta e_i \Lambda, \Lambda)$ as $Z(\Lambda)$ -modules by setting

$$(z\phi)(y) := z(\phi(y))$$

for $z \in Z(\Lambda)$, $\phi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\Lambda^e}(\Lambda e_{i+k}\delta e_i\Lambda, \Lambda)$ and $y \in \Lambda e_{i+k}\delta e_i\Lambda$. Note that the inverse maps of the above isomorphisms are

$$\Phi_{i,k} : \left((e_{i+k} \otimes e_i^{\circ}) \delta^e \right) \Lambda \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}_{\Lambda^e} (\Lambda e_{i+k} \delta e_i \Lambda, \Lambda); \\
\left((e_{i+k} \otimes e_i^{\circ}) \delta^e \right) \lambda \longmapsto \left(e_{i+k} \delta e_i \mapsto \left((e_{i+k} \otimes e_i^{\circ}) \delta^e \right) \lambda \right)$$

respectively. By means of these isomorphisms, we have the following $Z(\Lambda)$ -isomorphisms:

$$u_{0}: \operatorname{Hom}_{\Lambda^{e}}(P_{0}, \Lambda) \xrightarrow{\sim} \bigoplus_{i=1}^{s} \operatorname{Hom}_{\Lambda^{e}}(\Lambda e_{i}\delta e_{i}\Lambda, \Lambda) \xrightarrow{\sim} \bigoplus_{i=1}^{s} Z(\Lambda)e_{i};$$

$$\phi \longmapsto (\phi_{i})_{i} \longmapsto \sum_{i}^{s} \phi_{i}(e_{i}\delta e_{i})$$

for $s \geq 1$, and

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} u_{1}: & \operatorname{Hom}_{\Lambda^{e}}(P_{1}, \Lambda) & \stackrel{\sim}{\longrightarrow} & \bigoplus_{i=1}^{s} \operatorname{Hom}_{\Lambda^{e}}(\Lambda e_{i+1}\delta e_{i}\Lambda, \Lambda) & \stackrel{\sim}{\longrightarrow} & \bigoplus_{i=1}^{s} Z(\Lambda) X e_{i}; \\ \psi & \longmapsto & (\psi_{i})_{i} & \longmapsto & \sum_{i} \psi_{i}(e_{i+1}\delta e_{i}) \end{array}$$

for $s \geq 2$, where we set $\phi_i = \phi|_{\Lambda e_i \delta e_i \Lambda}$ and $\psi_i = \psi|_{\Lambda e_{i+1} \delta e_i \Lambda}$.

4.2. The Hochschild cohomology groups of Λ in the case $s \ge 2$

In this subsection, we assume that $s \ge 2$. By means of the resolution (3.2) and Lemma 4.2, we have the following commutative diagram:

where we set $d_1^{\#} = \operatorname{Hom}_{\Lambda^e}(d_1, \Lambda)$, $d_0^{\#} = \operatorname{Hom}_{\Lambda^e}(d_0, \Lambda)$, $d_1^* = u_1 d_1^{\#} u_0^{-1}$ and $d_0^* = u_0 d_0^{\#} u_1^{-1}$. The inverse maps of u_0 and u_1 are given by the following:

(4.1)
$$u_0^{-1}(\lambda e_i)(e_j\delta e_j) = \begin{cases} \Phi_{i,0}(\lambda e_i) = \lambda e_i & \text{if } j = i, \\ 0 & \text{if } j \neq i, \end{cases}$$

(4.2)
$$u_1^{-1}(\lambda X e_i)(e_{j+1}\delta e_j) = \begin{cases} \Phi_{i,1}(\lambda X e_i) = \lambda X e_i & \text{if } j = i, \\ 0 & \text{if } j \neq i \end{cases}$$

for $\lambda \in Z(\Lambda)$ and $1 \leq i, j \leq s$.

Lemma 4.3. In the case $s \ge 2$, we have

$$d_1^*(\lambda e_i) = \lambda X(e_i - e_{i-1}),$$

$$d_0^*(\lambda X e_i) = \lambda X^s f'(X^s)$$

for $\lambda \in Z(\Lambda)$ and $1 \leq i \leq s$, where f'(x) denotes the derivative of f(x).

Proof. Let $\lambda \in Z(\Delta)$ and $1 \leq i \leq s$. Then, by (4.1), we have

$$d_1^*(\lambda e_i) = (u_1 d_1^{\#}) \left(u_0^{-1}(\lambda e_i) \right) = u_1 \left(u_0^{-1}(\lambda e_i) d_1 \right)$$

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$$= \sum_{j=1}^{s} (u_0^{-1}(\lambda e_i)d_1) (e_{j+1}\delta e_j)$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{s} u_0^{-1}(\lambda e_i) (e_{j+1}(X\delta - \delta X)e_j)$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{s} u_0^{-1}(\lambda e_i) (Xe_j\delta e_j - e_{j+1}\delta e_{j+1}X)$$

$$= Xu_0^{-1}(\lambda e_i) (e_i\delta e_i) - u_0^{-1}(\lambda e_i) (e_i\delta e_i)X$$

$$= X\lambda e_i - \lambda e_i X = \lambda X (e_i - e_{i-1}).$$

We also have

$$\begin{split} d_0^*(\lambda X e_i) &= (u_0 d_0^{\#}) \left(u_1^{-1}(\lambda X e_i) \right) = u_0 \left(u_1^{-1}(\lambda X e_i) d_0 \right) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^s \left(u_1^{-1}(\lambda X e_i) d_0 \right) (e_k \delta e_k) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^s u_1^{-1}(\lambda X e_i) \left(e_k \left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{js-1} X^l \delta X^{js-l-1} \right) \right) \right) e_k \right) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^s u_1^{-1}(\lambda X e_i) \left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{js-1} X^l e_{k-l} \delta e_{k-l-1} X^{js-l-1} \right) \right) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^s \left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{js-1} X^l u_1^{-1}(\lambda X e_i) (e_{k-l} \delta e_{k-l-1}) X^{js-l-1} \right) \right) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^s \sum_{j=1}^n z_j \left(\sum_{\substack{0 \le l \le js-1 \\ \text{s.t. } i \equiv k-l-1 \pmod{s}} X^{l}(\lambda X e_i) X^{js-l-1} \right) \\ &= \lambda \sum_{k=1}^s \sum_{j=1}^n z_j \left(\sum_{\substack{0 \le l \le js-1 \\ \text{s.t. } i \equiv k-l-1 \pmod{s}} X^{js} e_k \right) = \lambda \sum_{k=1}^s \sum_{j=1}^n z_j (j X^{js} e_k) \\ &= \lambda X^s \left(\sum_{j=1}^n j z_j X^{(j-1)s} \right) \left(\sum_{k=1}^s e_k \right) = \lambda X^s f'(X^s), \end{split}$$

by means of (4.2). \Box

The results of Lemmas 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3 are similar to those of [FS, Lemmas

2.1, 2.2 and 2.3]. Thus the following theorem is easily shown by a similar proof to that given in [FS, Theorem 2 and Corollary 2.4], so we omit the details.

Theorem 4.4. In the case $s \ge 2$, there exist the following isomorphisms of $Z(\Delta)[x]/(f(x))$ -modules:

$$\operatorname{HH}^{t}(\Lambda) \simeq \begin{cases} Z(\Delta)[x]/(f(x)) & \text{if } t = 0, \\ \operatorname{Ann}_{Z(\Delta)[x]/(f(x))}(xf'(x)) & \text{if } t \text{ is odd}, \\ Z(\Delta)[x]/(xf'(x), f(x)) & \text{if } t \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

Moreover, if $Z(\Delta)$ is a field then $\operatorname{HH}^t(\Lambda) \simeq Z(\Delta)[x]/(xf'(x), f(x))$ for $t \ge 1$.

4.3. The Hochschild cohomology groups of Λ in the case s = 1

In this subsection, we assume that s = 1 (i.e., $\Lambda = \Delta[x]/(f(x))$) and $n \ge 2$. In this case, we recall that $P_0 = P_1 = \Lambda \delta \Lambda$. By Theorem 3.2, we have the periodic left Λ^e -projective resolution:

$$(4.3) \qquad \cdots \xrightarrow{d_0} \Lambda \delta \Lambda \xrightarrow{d_1} \Lambda \delta \Lambda \xrightarrow{d_0} \Lambda \delta \Lambda \xrightarrow{d_1} \Lambda \delta \Lambda \xrightarrow{\pi} \Lambda \longrightarrow 0,$$

where π is the multiplication map, and d_1 , d_0 are the left Λ^e -homomorphisms given by

$$d_1(\delta) = x\delta - \delta x, \quad d_0(\delta) = \sum_{j=1}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{j-1} x^l \delta x^{j-l-1}\right),$$

since X is identified with x. So, by Lemma 4.2, we have the following commutative diagram:

where we set $d_1^{\#} = \operatorname{Hom}_{\Lambda^e}(d_1, \Lambda), \ d_0^{\#} = \operatorname{Hom}_{\Lambda^e}(d_0, \Lambda), \ d_1^* = u_0 d_1^{\#} u_0^{-1}$ and $d_0^* = u_0 d_0^{\#} u_0^{-1}$. Since

$$u_0: \operatorname{Hom}_{\Lambda^e}(\Lambda\delta\Lambda, \Lambda) \xrightarrow{\sim} Z(\Lambda); \quad \phi \longmapsto \phi(\delta)$$

and $u_0^{-1}(\lambda)(\delta) = \lambda$ for all $\lambda \in Z(\Lambda)$, we have $d_1^* = 0$ and $d_0^*(\lambda) = \lambda f'(x)$. Therefore the following theorem follows. **Theorem 4.5.** In the case s = 1, i.e., $\Lambda = \Delta[x]/(f(x))$, there exist the following isomorphisms of $Z(\Lambda)$ -modules:

$$\mathrm{HH}^{t}(\Lambda) \simeq \begin{cases} Z(\Lambda) = Z(\Delta)[x]/(f(x)) & \text{if } t = 0, \\ \mathrm{Ann}_{Z(\Lambda)}(f'(x)) = \mathrm{Ann}_{Z(\Delta)[x]/(f(x))}(f'(x)) & \text{if } t \text{ is odd}, \\ Z(\Lambda)/(f'(x)) \simeq Z(\Delta)[x]/(f'(x), f(x)) & \text{if } t \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

Moreover, if $Z(\Delta)$ is a field then $\operatorname{HH}^t(\Lambda) \simeq Z(\Delta)[x]/(f'(x), f(x))$ for $t \ge 1$.

§5. The Hochschild cohomology ring of Λ

In this section, we determine the ring structures of the even Hochschild cohomology ring $\operatorname{HH}^{\operatorname{ev}}(\Lambda) := \bigoplus_{i\geq 0} \operatorname{HH}^{2i}(\Lambda)$ of Λ and the Hochschild cohomology ring $\operatorname{HH}^*(\Lambda) := \bigoplus_{t\geq 0} \operatorname{HH}^t(\Lambda)$ of Λ , where the multiplication is given by the Yoneda product \times (cf. [FS, Section 3]). We deal with the case $s \geq 2$ in Section 5.1 and the case s = 1 in Section 5.2.

5.1. The Hochschild cohomology ring of Λ in the case $s \geq 2$

In this subsection except Remark 5.5, we assume that $s \ge 2$. The following results in this subsection are easily shown by similar proofs to those given in [FS]. Therefore, we will describe the results only and omit the detailed proof.

Proposition 5.1. There exists the following isomorphism of $Z(\Delta)$ -algebras:

$$\mathrm{HH}^{\mathrm{ev}}(\Lambda) \simeq Z(\Delta)[u, w]/(f(u), uf'(u)w),$$

where $\deg u = 0$ and $\deg w = 2$.

Proof. By using Theorem 4.4, we can prove the proposition by similar arguments to [FS, Proposition 3.2]. \Box

We consider the case f'(x) = 0. Then we identify $HH^t(\Lambda)$ with $Z(\Delta)[x]/(f(x))$ for $t \ge 0$, by Theorem 4.4.

Theorem 5.2. Let $Z(\Delta)$ be an integral domain, char $Z(\Delta) = p > 0$ and $f(x) \in Z(\Delta)[x]$ a monic polynomial with f'(x) = 0, so we set $f(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{n_0} z_{jp} x^{jp}$ for some positive integer n_0 .

(i) If p = 2, then we have the following isomorphism of $Z(\Delta)$ -algebras:

$$\operatorname{HH}^{*}(\Lambda) \simeq Z(\Delta)[u, v, w] \middle/ \left(f(u), v^{2} - \left(\sum_{0 \leq j \leq n_{0} \text{ s.t. } j \text{ is odd}} z_{2j} u^{2j} \right) w \right),$$

where deg u = 0, deg v = 1 and deg w = 2.

(ii) If $p \neq 2$, then we have the following isomorphism of $Z(\Delta)$ -algebras:

$$\mathrm{HH}^*(\Lambda) \simeq Z(\Delta)[u, v, w]/(f(u), v^2),$$

where deg u = 0, deg v = 1 and deg w = 2.

Proof. We can prove the theorem by similar arguments to [FS, Theorem 3]. \Box

Now we consider the case $f'(x) \neq 0$. So, from now on, we assume that $f'(x) \neq 0$ in this subsection except Remark 5.5. We treat the elementary case $f(x) = g^k(x)$ with a monic irreducible polynomial $g(x) \in Z(\Delta)[x]$ and a positive integer k. Then, since $0 \neq f'(x) = kg'(x)g^{k-1}(x)$, it follows that char $Z(\Delta) \nmid k$.

First, we consider the case g(x) = x. In this case, we note that if $\Delta = R$ is a field then the ring structure of $HH^*(\Lambda)$ is determined in [EH, Proposition 5.6].

Proposition 5.3. Let $f(x) = x^k$ with a positive integer k and $f'(x) \neq 0$. Then we have the following isomorphism of $Z(\Delta)$ -algebras:

$$\operatorname{HH}^*(\Lambda) \simeq Z(\Delta)[u, v, w]/(u^k, v^2),$$

where deg u = 0, deg v = 1 and deg w = 2.

Proof. By Theorem 4.4, we identify HH^t(Λ) with $Z(\Delta)[x]/(x^k) = Z(\Lambda)$ for $t \ge 0$. Let $u = x + (x^k) \in \text{HH}^0(\Lambda)$, $v = 1 + (x^k) \in \text{HH}^1(\Lambda)$ and $w = 1 + (x^k) \in \text{HH}^2(\Lambda)$. Since we have the results which are similar to [FS, Lemmas 3.1, 3.3 and 3.4], the following follows. For $i \ge 0$, HH²ⁱ(Λ) is the $Z(\Lambda)$ -module generated by w^i and HH²ⁱ⁺¹(Λ) is the $Z(\Lambda)$ -module generated by w^i and HH²ⁱ⁺¹(Λ) is the $Z(\Lambda)$ -module generated by $w^i v$. We obtain the relation $u^k = 0$ in degree 0. We also obtain the relation $v^2 = 0$ in degree 2. Indeed, if k = 1 then the relation is clear, and if $k \ge 2$ then we have $v^2 = \sum_{j=2}^k z_j \left(\sum_{l=1}^{j-1} l\right) x^j + (x^k) = \left(\sum_{l=1}^{k-1} l\right) x^k + (x^k) = 0$. Therefore we get the desired isomorphism. □

Second, we consider the case $g(x) \neq x$ and $Z(\Delta)$ is a unique factorization domain. Then we have

$$\begin{split} \mathrm{HH}^{1}(\Lambda) &= \mathrm{Ann}_{Z(\Delta)[x]/(g^{k}(x))}(xkg'(x)g^{k-1}(x)) = (g(x))/(g^{k}(x)),\\ \mathrm{HH}^{2}(\Lambda) &= Z(\Delta)[x]/(g^{k}(x), xkg'(x)g^{k-1}(x)) \end{split}$$

for $k \ge 1$. If k = 1 then $\operatorname{HH}^1(\Lambda) = 0$, and hence the Hochschild cohomology ring of Λ has been calculated by Proposition 5.1.

Theorem 5.4. Let $Z(\Delta)$ be a unique factorization domain, $p = \operatorname{char} Z(\Delta) \ge 0$ and $f(x) = g^k(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n z_j x^j \in Z(\Delta)[x]$ with $f'(x) \ne 0$, where $g(x) \in Z(\Delta)[x]$ is monic irreducible, $g(x) \ne x$ and $k \ge 2$.

(i) If p = 2, then there exists the following isomorphism of $Z(\Delta)$ -algebras:

$$\operatorname{HH}^*(\Lambda) \simeq Z(\Delta)[u, v, w]/I,$$

where I is the ideal of $Z(\Delta)[u, v, w]$ generated by

$$g^{k}(u), g^{k-1}(u)v, v^{2} - g^{2}(u) \left(\sum_{\substack{0 \le j \le n \\ s.t. \ j \equiv 2 \ or 3 \ (\text{mod } 4)}} z_{j}u^{j}\right) w, kug^{k-1}(u)g'(u)w,$$

and deg u = 0, deg v = 1, deg w = 2.

(ii) If $p \neq 2$ (including the case p = 0), then there exists the following isomorphism of $Z(\Delta)$ -algebras:

$$\mathrm{HH}^{*}(\Lambda) \simeq Z(\Delta)[u, v, w] / (g^{k}(u), g^{k-1}(u)v, v^{2}, kug^{k-1}(u)g'(u)w),$$

where deg u = 0, deg v = 1 and deg w = 2.

Proof. We can prove the theorem by similar arguments to [FS, Theorem 4]. \Box

Remark 5.5. Suppose that $Z(\Delta)$ is a field and $s \ge 1$. Let $f(x) = g_1^{k_1}(x) \cdots g_l^{k_l}(x)$ be a factorization of f(x) into irreducible factors in $Z(\Delta)[x]$. Since the result of [FS, Lemma 3.6] holds in the case $s \ge 1$, we have the following decomposition of $Z(\Delta)$ -algebras:

$$\Lambda = \Delta \Gamma / (f(X^s)) \simeq \Delta \otimes_{Z(\Delta)} \left(Z(\Delta) \Gamma / (f(X^s)) \right)$$
$$\simeq \Delta \otimes_{Z(\Delta)} \left(Z(\Delta) \Gamma / (g_1^{k_1}(X^s)) \oplus \dots \oplus Z(\Delta) \Gamma / (g_l^{k_l}(X^s)) \right)$$
$$\simeq \Delta \Gamma / (g_1^{k_1}(X^s)) \oplus \dots \oplus \Delta \Gamma / (g_l^{k_l}(X^s)).$$

Then there exists the following isomorphism of $Z(\Delta)$ -algebras:

$$\operatorname{HH}^*(\Delta\Gamma/(f(X^s))) \simeq \operatorname{HH}^*(\Delta\Gamma/(g_1^{k_1}(X^s))) \oplus \cdots \oplus \operatorname{HH}^*(\Delta\Gamma/(g_l^{k_l}(X^s))).$$

Hence, it suffices to consider the case $f(x) = g^k(x)$ for an irreducible polynomial $g(x) \in Z(\Delta)[x]$ and a positive integer k in order to determine the ring structure of $HH^*(\Lambda)$.

5.2. The Hochschild cohomology ring of Λ in the case s = 1

In this subsection, we assume that s = 1 (i.e., $\Lambda = \Delta[x]/(f(x))$) and $n \ge 2$. Note that the isomorphisms of Theorem 4.5 are given explicitly as follows:

$$Z(\Delta)[x]/(f(x)) \xrightarrow{\sim} \operatorname{HH}^{0}(\Lambda); \quad q(x) + (f(x)) \longmapsto \phi,$$

$$\operatorname{Ann}_{Z(\Delta)[x]/(f(x))}(f'(x)) \xrightarrow{\sim} \operatorname{HH}^{1}(\Lambda); \quad q(x) + (f(x)) \longmapsto \phi,$$

$$Z(\Delta)[x]/(f'(x), f(x)) \xrightarrow{\sim} \operatorname{HH}^{2}(\Lambda); \quad q(x) + (f'(x), f(x)) \longmapsto \phi + \operatorname{Im} d_{0}^{\#},$$

where $\phi : \Lambda \delta \Lambda \to \Lambda$ is the Λ^e -homomorphism given by $\phi(\delta) = q(x) + (f(x))$. Thus we will identify

$$HH^{0}(\Lambda) = Z(\Delta)[x]/(f(x)), \quad HH^{1}(\Lambda) = \operatorname{Ann}_{Z(\Delta)[x]/(f(x))}(f'(x))$$

and
$$HH^{2}(\Lambda) = Z(\Delta)[x]/(f'(x), f(x))$$

by these isomorphisms.

We denote the resolution (4.3) by

$$\cdots \xrightarrow{d_4} P_3 \xrightarrow{d_3} P_2 \xrightarrow{d_2} P_1 \xrightarrow{d_1} P_0 \xrightarrow{\pi} \Lambda \longrightarrow 0,$$

where $P_i = P_0 = \Lambda \delta \Lambda$, $d_{2i} = d_0$ and $d_{2i+1} = d_1$ for $i \ge 1$. Let w be the coset in $\mathrm{HH}^2(\Lambda)$ with $1 \in Z(\Delta)[x]$: $w = 1 + (f'(x), f(x)) \in \mathrm{HH}^2(\Lambda)$. Then w is represented by the multiplication map $\pi : P_2(=P_0) \to \Lambda$. In this subsection, we will use w in the meaning above.

Lemma 5.6. If $Q = q(x) + (f(x)) \in \operatorname{HH}^0(\Lambda)$, where $q(x) \in Z(\Delta)[x]$, then we have $Q \times w = q(x) + (f'(x), f(x)) \in \operatorname{HH}^2(\Lambda)$. Also, we have $w \times w =$ $1 + (f'(x), f(x)) \in \operatorname{HH}^4(\Lambda)$. Hence $\operatorname{HH}^{2i}(\Lambda)$ is the $Z(\Lambda)$ -module generated by $w^i \in \operatorname{HH}^{2i}(\Lambda)$ for $i \geq 1$.

Proof. The element $Q = q(x) + (f(x)) \in \operatorname{HH}^0(\Lambda)$ where $q(x) \in Z(\Delta)[x]$ is represented by the Λ^e -homomorphism $\phi : P_0 \to \Lambda$ given by $\phi(\delta) = q(x) + (f(x))$.

First, we compute the product $Q \times w \in \operatorname{HH}^2(\Lambda)$. It is clear that $\operatorname{id}_{\Lambda\delta\Lambda} : P_2 \to P_0$ is a lifting of $\pi : P_2 \to \Lambda$. Hence $Q \times w$ is the element in $\operatorname{HH}^2(\Lambda)$ represented by $\phi : P_2 \to \Lambda$. Therefore we have $Q \times w = q(x) + (f'(x), f(x)) \in \operatorname{HH}^2(\Lambda)$.

Second, we compute the product $w \times w \in \operatorname{HH}^4(\Lambda)$. It is clear that $\operatorname{id}_{\Lambda\delta\Lambda} : P_2 \to P_0, P_3 \to P_1, P_4 \to P_2$ are liftings of $\pi : P_2 \to \Lambda$. Hence $w \times w$ is the element in $\operatorname{HH}^4(\Lambda)$ represented by $\pi : P_4 \to \Lambda$. Therefore we have $w \times w = 1 + (f'(x), f(x)) \in \operatorname{HH}^4(\Lambda)$. \Box

By this Lemma, we have the structure of the even Hochschild cohomology ring of Λ .

Proposition 5.7. There exists the following isomorphism of $Z(\Delta)$ -algebras:

$$\mathrm{HH}^{\mathrm{ev}}(\Lambda) \simeq Z(\Delta)[u, w]/(f(u), f'(u)w),$$

where $\deg u = 0$ and $\deg w = 2$.

Proof. Let $u = x + (f(x)) \in Z(\Delta)[x]/(f(x)) = HH^0(\Lambda)$. Then we have the relation f(u) = 0 in degree 0. Moreover, by Lemma 5.6, $HH^{2i}(\Lambda)$ is the $HH^0(\Lambda)$ -module generated by w^i and there is the relation $f'(u)w^i = 0$ in degree 2i for $i \ge 1$. Therefore we have the desired isomorphisms of $Z(\Delta)$ -algebras. \Box

Now we calculate the Yoneda product in odd degree.

Lemma 5.8. If $Q_0 = q_0(x) + (f(x)) \in \operatorname{HH}^0(\Lambda)$ where $q_0(x) \in Z(\Delta)[x]$ and $Q_1 = q_1(x) + (f(x)) \in \operatorname{HH}^1(\Lambda)$ where $q_1(x)$ is an element in $Z(\Delta)[x]$ such that $f'(x)q_1(x) \in (f(x))$, then we have $Q_0 \times Q_1 = q_0(x)q_1(x) + (f(x)) \in \operatorname{HH}^1(\Lambda)$. Also, we have $Q_1 \times w = q_1(x) + (f(x)) \in \operatorname{HH}^3(\Lambda)$.

Proof. The elements Q_0 and Q_1 are represented by the Λ^e -homomorphisms $\phi_0 : P_0 \to \Lambda$ and $\phi_1 : P_1 \to \Lambda$ given by $\phi_0(\delta) = q_0(x) + (f(x))$ and $\phi_1(\delta) = q_1(x) + (f(x))$, respectively. Then the Λ^e -homomorphism $\sigma : P_1 \to P_0$ given by $\sigma(\delta) = \delta q_1(x)$ is a lifting of ϕ_1 and $\phi_0 \sigma : P_1 \to \Lambda$ satisfies $(\phi_0 \sigma)(\delta) = q_0(x)q_1(x) + (f(x))$. Therefore we have $Q_0 \times Q_1 = q_0(x)q_1(x) + (f(x))$.

Next we compute $Q_1 \times w$. It is clear that $\mathrm{id}_{\Lambda\delta\Lambda} : P_2 \to P_0, P_3 \to P_1$ are liftings of of $\pi : P_2 \to \Lambda$. Hence $Q_1 \times w$ is the element in $\mathrm{HH}^3(\Lambda)$ represented by $\phi_1 : P_3 \to \Lambda$. Therefore we have $Q_1 \times w = q_1(x) + (f(x)) \in \mathrm{HH}^3(\Lambda)$. \Box

Lemma 5.9. If Q = q(x) + (f(x)), $\tilde{Q} = \tilde{q}(x) + (f(x)) \in HH^1(\Lambda)$ where q(x), $\tilde{q}(x)$ are elements in $Z(\Delta)[x]$ such that f'(x)q(x), $f'(x)\tilde{q}(x) \in (f(x))$, then we have

$$Q \times \tilde{Q} = q(x)\tilde{q}(x)\sum_{j=2}^{n} z_j \left(\sum_{l=1}^{j-1} l\right) x^{j-2} + (f'(x), f(x)).$$

Proof. The elements Q and \tilde{Q} are represented by the Λ^{e} -homomorphisms $\phi : P_{1} \to \Lambda$ and $\tilde{\phi} : P_{1} \to \Lambda$ given by $\phi(\delta) = q(x) + (f(x))$ and $\tilde{\phi}(\delta) = \tilde{q}(x) + (f(x))$ respectively. It is clear that the Λ^{e} -homomorphism $\sigma_{0} : P_{1} \to P_{0}$ given by $\sigma_{0}(\delta) = \delta \tilde{q}(x)$ is a lifting of $\tilde{\phi} : P_{1} \to \Lambda$. Define the Λ^{e} -homomorphism $\sigma_{1} : P_{2} \to P_{1}$ by

$$\sigma_1(\delta) = \sum_{j=2}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=1}^{j-1} \sum_{k=0}^{l-1} x^k \delta x^{j-k-2} \right) \tilde{q}(x).$$

Then we have that σ_1 is a lifting of $\tilde{\phi}$, i.e., $\sigma_0 d_0 = \sigma_0 d_2 = d_1 \sigma_1$. Indeed, by means of the equation $f'(x)\tilde{q}(x) = 0$ in Λ , we can calculate as follows. First, note that

$$(\sigma_0 d_0)(\delta) = \sigma_0 \left(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{j-1} x^l \delta x^{j-l-1} \right) \right) = \sum_{j=1}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{j-1} x^l \delta x^{j-l-1} \right) \tilde{q}(x).$$

We also have

$$\begin{aligned} (d_1\sigma_1)(\delta) &= d_1 \left(\sum_{j=2}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=1}^{j-1} \sum_{k=0}^{l-1} x^k \delta x^{j-k-2} \right) \tilde{q}(x) \right) \\ &= \sum_{j=2}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=1}^{j-1} \sum_{k=0}^{l-1} (x^{k+1} \delta x^{j-k-2} - x^k \delta x^{j-k-1}) \right) \tilde{q}(x) \\ &= \sum_{j=2}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=1}^{j-1} (x^l \delta x^{j-l-1} - \delta x^{j-1}) \right) \tilde{q}(x) \\ &= \sum_{j=2}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=1}^{j-1} x^l \delta x^{j-l-1} - (j-1) \delta x^{j-1} \right) \tilde{q}(x) \\ &= \sum_{j=2}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{j-1} x^l \delta x^{j-l-1} - j \delta x^{j-1} \right) \tilde{q}(x) \\ &= \sum_{j=2}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{j-1} x^l \delta x^{j-l-1} \right) \tilde{q}(x) - \delta \left(\sum_{j=2}^n j z_j x^{j-1} \right) \tilde{q}(x) \\ &= \sum_{j=2}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{j-1} x^l \delta x^{j-l-1} \right) \tilde{q}(x) + \delta z_1 \tilde{q}(x) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=0}^{j-1} x^l \delta x^{j-l-1} \right) \tilde{q}(x). \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\sigma_0 d_0 = d_1 \sigma_1$ holds, so σ_1 is a lifting of $\tilde{\phi} : P_1 \to \Lambda$. Then, we have

$$(\phi\sigma_1)(\delta) = \phi\left(\sum_{j=2}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=1}^{j-1} \sum_{k=0}^{l-1} x^k \delta x^{j-k-2}\right) \tilde{q}(x)\right)$$
$$= \sum_{j=2}^n z_j \left(\sum_{l=1}^{j-1} \sum_{k=0}^{l-1} x^k q(x) x^{j-k-2}\right) \tilde{q}(x)$$

$$= \sum_{j=2}^{n} z_j \left(\sum_{l=1}^{j-1} l \right) x^{j-2} q(x) \tilde{q}(x).$$

This completes the proof of the lemma. \Box

From now on, let $Z(\Delta)$ be an integral domain in this subsection.

We consider the case f'(x) = 0, that is, char $Z(\Delta) = p > 0$ and $f(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{n_0} z_{jp} x^{jp}$ for some positive integer n_0 . Then, by Theorem 4.5, we identify $\operatorname{HH}^t(\Lambda)$ with $Z(\Delta)[x]/(f(x))$ for $t \geq 0$.

Lemma 5.10. Let $Z(\Delta)$ be an integral domain, char $Z(\Delta) = p > 0$ and $f(x) \in Z(\Delta)[x]$ a monic polynomial with f'(x) = 0, i.e., $f(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{n_0} z_{jp} x^{jp}$ for some positive integer n_0 . If i and k are odd, then we have

$$Q \times \tilde{Q} = \begin{cases} q(x)\tilde{q}(x) \left(\sum_{1 \le j \le n_0 \text{ s.t. } j \text{ is odd}} z_{2j} x^{2j-2}\right) + (f(x)) & \text{if } p = 2, \\ 0 & \text{if } p \ne 2, \end{cases}$$

for $Q = q(x) + (f(x)) \in HH^{i}(\Lambda)$ and $\tilde{Q} = \tilde{q}(x) + (f(x)) \in HH^{k}(\Lambda)$ where $q(x), \tilde{q}(x) \in Z(\Delta)[x]$.

Proof. For $Q = q(x) + (f(x)) \in HH^{i}(\Lambda)$ and $\tilde{Q} = \tilde{q}(x) + (f(x)) \in HH^{k}(\Lambda)$ where q(x) and $\tilde{q}(x)$ are in $Z(\Delta)[x]$, by Lemma 5.9, we have

$$Q \times \tilde{Q} = q(x)\tilde{q}(x)\sum_{j=1}^{n_0} z_{jp} \left(\sum_{l=1}^{jp-1} l\right) x^{jp-2} + (f(x)).$$

If p = 2, then we have $Q \times \tilde{Q} = q(x)\tilde{q}(x)\left(\sum_{\substack{1 \le j \le n_0 \\ \text{s.t. } j \text{ is odd}}} z_{2j}x^{2j-2}\right) + (f(x)),$ since

$$\sum_{l=1}^{2j-1} l \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{2} & \text{if } j \text{ is even,} \\ 1 \pmod{2} & \text{if } j \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

If $p \neq 2$, then we have $Q \times \tilde{Q} = 0$, since $\sum_{l=1}^{jp-1} l \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ for all $j \geq 1$.

Theorem 5.11. Let $Z(\Delta)$ be an integral domain, char $Z(\Delta) = p > 0$ and $f(x) \in Z(\Delta)[x]$ a monic polynomial with f'(x) = 0, i.e., $f(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{n_0} z_{jp} x^{jp}$ for some positive integer n_0 .

(i) If p = 2, then there exists the following isomorphism of $Z(\Delta)$ -algebras:

$$\operatorname{HH}^{*}(\Lambda) \simeq Z(\Delta)[u, v, w] \middle/ \left(f(u), v^{2} - \left(\sum_{\substack{1 \leq j \leq n_{0} \\ s.t. \ j \ is \ odd}} z_{2j} u^{2j-2} \right) w \right),$$

where deg u = 0, deg v = 1 and deg w = 2.

(ii) If $p \neq 2$, then there exists the following isomorphism of $Z(\Delta)$ -algebras:

$$\mathrm{HH}^*(\Lambda) \simeq Z(\Delta)[u, v, w]/(f(u), v^2),$$

where deg u = 0, deg v = 1 and deg w = 2.

Proof. Let $u = x + (f(x)) \in HH^0(\Lambda)$, $v = 1 + (f(x)) \in HH^1(\Lambda)$ and $w = 1 + (f(x)) \in HH^2(\Lambda)$. By Lemmas 5.6 and 5.8, $HH^{2i+1}(\Lambda)$ is the Z(Λ)-module generated by $w^i v$ for $i \ge 0$. If $p \ne 2$, then we obtain the relation $v^2 = 0$ in degree 2 by Lemma 5.10. If p = 2, then $v \times v$ is the coset in $HH^2(\Lambda)$ represented by $\sum_{\substack{1 \le j \le n_0 \\ \text{s.t. } j \text{ is odd}}} z_{2j} x^{2j-2} \in Z(\Delta)[x]$ by Lemma 5.10, so we have the relation $v^2 - \sum_{\substack{1 \le j \le n_0 \\ \text{s.t. } j \text{ is odd}}} z_{2j} u^{2j-2} w = 0$ in degree 2. Therefore we have the desired isomorphisms. □

Next we consider the case $f'(x) \neq 0$. So, from now on, we assume that $f'(x) \neq 0$ and $Z(\Delta)$ is a unique factorization domain in this subsection. We treat the elementary case $f(x) = g^k(x)$ with a monic irreducible polynomial $g(x) \in Z(\Delta)[x]$ and $k \geq 1$. Then, since $0 \neq f'(x) = kg'(x)g^{k-1}(x)$, it follows that char $Z(\Delta) \nmid k$. By Theorem 4.5, we also have

$$\begin{split} \mathrm{HH}^{1}(\Lambda) &= \mathrm{Ann}_{Z(\Delta)[x]/(g^{k}(x))}(kg'(x)g^{k-1}(x)) = (g(x))/(g^{k}(x)),\\ \mathrm{HH}^{2}(\Lambda) &= Z(\Delta)[x]/(g^{k}(x),kg'(x)g^{k-1}(x)). \end{split}$$

If k = 1 then $\text{HH}^1(\Lambda) = 0$, and hence the Hochschild cohomology ring of Λ has been calculated by Proposition 5.7. So we assume $k \ge 2$.

Lemma 5.12. Let $Z(\Delta)$ be a unique factorization domain, $p = \operatorname{char} Z(\Delta) \ge 0$ and $f(x) = g^k(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n z_j x^j \in Z(\Delta)[x]$ with $f'(x) \ne 0$, where $g(x) \in Z(\Delta)[x]$ is monic irreducible and $k \ge 2$. If i and t are odd, then we have

$$Q \times \tilde{Q} = \begin{cases} q(x)\tilde{q}(x)g^{2}(x) \left(\sum_{\substack{2 \le j \le n \\ s.t. \ j \equiv 2 \text{ or } 3 \pmod{4}}} z_{j}x^{j-2}\right) + (f(x), f'(x)) & \text{if } p = 2, \\ 0 & \text{if } p \neq 2, \end{cases}$$

for $Q = q(x)g(x) + (f(x)) \in HH^{i}(\Lambda)$ and $\tilde{Q} = \tilde{q}(x)g(x) + (f(x)) \in HH^{t}(\Lambda)$ where $q(x), \tilde{q}(x) \in Z(\Delta)[x]$.

Proof. By Lemma 5.9, we have

$$Q \times \tilde{Q} = q(x)\tilde{q}(x)g^{2}(x)\sum_{j=2}^{n} z_{j}\left(\sum_{l=1}^{j-1} l\right)x^{j-2} + (f(x), f'(x)).$$

If p = 2, then we have

$$Q \times \tilde{Q} = q(x)\tilde{q}(x)g^2(x) \left(\sum_{\substack{2 \le j \le n\\ \text{s.t. } j \equiv 2 \text{ or } 3 \pmod{4}}} z_j x^{j-2}\right) + (f(x), f'(x)),$$

since

$$\sum_{l=1}^{j-1} l \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{2} & \text{if } j \equiv 0 \text{ or } 1 \pmod{4}, \\ 1 \pmod{2} & \text{if } j \equiv 2 \text{ or } 3 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

If $p \neq 2$, then

$$\sum_{j=2}^{n} z_j \left(\sum_{l=1}^{j-1} l \right) x^{j-2} = \sum_{j=2}^{n} z_j \frac{j(j-1)}{2} x^{j-2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=2}^{n} j(j-1) z_j x^{j-2}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} f''(x) = \frac{1}{2} k g^{k-2}(x) \left((k-1)(g'(x))^2 + g(x)g''(x) \right),$$

so we have $Q \times \tilde{Q} = 0$. \Box

Theorem 5.13. Let $Z(\Delta)$ be a unique factorization domain, $p = \operatorname{char} Z(\Delta) \ge 0$ and $f(x) = g^k(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n z_j x^j \in Z(\Delta)[x]$ with $f'(x) \neq 0$, where $g(x) \in Z(\Delta)[x]$ is monic irreducible and $k \ge 2$.

(i) If p = 2, then there exists the following isomorphism of $Z(\Delta)$ -algebras:

$$\mathrm{HH}^*(\Lambda) \simeq Z(\Delta)[u, v, w]/I,$$

where I is the ideal of $Z(\Delta)[u, v, w]$ generated by

$$g^{k}(u), g^{k-1}(u)v, v^{2} - g^{2}(u) \left(\sum_{\substack{2 \le j \le n \\ s.t. \ j \equiv 2 \ or \ 3 \ (\text{mod } 4)}} z_{j} u^{j-2}\right) w, kg^{k-1}(u)g'(u)w,$$

and deg u = 0, deg v = 1, deg w = 2.

(ii) If $p \neq 2$ (including the case p = 0), then there exists the following isomorphism of $Z(\Delta)$ -algebras:

$$\mathrm{HH}^*(\Lambda) \simeq Z(\Delta)[u, v, w] / (g^k(u), g^{k-1}(u)v, v^2, kg^{k-1}(u)g'(u)w),$$

where deg u = 0, deg v = 1 and deg w = 2.

Proof. Let $u = x + (g^k(x)) \in HH^0(\Lambda)$, $v = g(x) + (g^k(x)) \in HH^1(\Lambda)$ and $w = 1 + (g^k(x), kg^{k-1}(x)g'(x)) \in HH^2(\Lambda)$. Then we have the relation $g^k(u) = 0$ in degree 0. By Lemma 5.6, for $i \ge 1$, $HH^{2i}(\Lambda)$ is the $Z(\Lambda)$ -module generated by w^i , and we have the relation $kg^{k-1}(u)g'(u)w = 0$ in degree 2. Moreover, by Lemmas 5.6 and 5.8, for $i \ge 0$, $HH^{2i+1}(\Lambda)$ is the $Z(\Lambda)$ -module generated by vw^i , and we have the relation $g^{k-1}(u)v = 0$ in degree 1.

If $p \neq 2$, then by Lemma 5.12 we have the relation $v^2 = 0$ in degree 2. If p = 2, then by Lemma 5.12 $v \times v$ is the coset in $HH^2(\Lambda)$ represented by

$$g^{2}(x)\left(\sum_{\substack{2\leq j\leq n\\\text{s.t. }j\equiv 2\text{ or }3 \pmod{4}}} z_{j}x^{j-2}\right).$$
 So we have the relation
$$v^{2} - g^{2}(u)\left(\sum_{\substack{2\leq j\leq n\\\text{s.t. }j\equiv 2\text{ or }3 \pmod{4}}} z_{j}u^{j-2}\right)w = 0$$

in degree 2. Therefore we get the desired isomorphisms. \Box

We remark that the argument of Remark 5.5 holds in the case s = 1.

§6. Applications

In this section, we will give some applications of the results of Section 5. Let Δ be a separable *R*-algebra as usual.

Let s be an integer with $s \geq 2$ and $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_s$ be nonzero elements of $Z(\Delta)$ such that α_i is not a zero divisor in Δ for each $1 \leq i \leq s$. Let E_{ij} be the matrix unit in the $s \times s$ matrix ring $M_s(\Delta)$ for $1 \leq i, j \leq s$ and

$$C := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 & \alpha_s \\ \alpha_1 & 0 & & & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_2 & \ddots & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \alpha_{s-1} & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Define the *R*-subalgebra *B* of $M_s(\Delta)$ as follows:

$$B = \Delta[E_{11}, E_{22}, \dots, E_{ss}, C]$$

Note that, in particular, if $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \cdots = \alpha_{s-1} = 1$ then the algebra has the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta & \alpha_s \Delta & \cdots & \alpha_s \Delta \\ \vdots & \Delta & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \alpha_s \Delta \\ \Delta & \cdots & \cdots & \Delta \end{bmatrix}_{s \times s}$$

which is similar to a basic hereditary order (cf. [SS]). We calculate the Hochschild cohomology ring of B. The following lemma shows that B is isomorphic to $\Delta\Gamma/(f(X^s))$ for some $f(x) \in Z(\Delta)[x]$, where we note that Δ needs not to be R-separable.

Lemma 6.1. Let B be the R-algebra as above. Then B is isomorphic to $\Delta\Gamma/(X^s - \alpha)$ as R-algebras, where we set $\alpha = \alpha_1 \alpha_2 \cdots \alpha_s$.

Proof. We have

$$aC = Ca$$
 for all $a \in \Delta$ and $C^s = \alpha E$,

where E denotes the identity matrix. We also have

$$C^{j}E_{ii} = E_{i+j,i+j}C^{j}$$
 for $1 \leq i \leq s$ and $0 \leq j \leq s-1$,

where we regard the subscripts of matrix units modulo s. Since α_i is not a zero divisor in Δ for each $1 \leq i \leq s$, the set $\{C^j E_{ii} \mid 1 \leq i \leq s, 0 \leq j \leq s - 1\}$ gives a Δ -basis of B. Therefore there exists the following isomorphism of Δ -modules:

$$\Delta\Gamma/(X^s - \alpha) \xrightarrow{\sim} B; \quad X^j e_i \longmapsto C^j E_{ii}.$$

Moreover, it is clear that the isomorphism is an isomorphism of R-algebras. This completes the proof of the lemma. \Box

Proposition 6.2. Let Δ be a separable *R*-algebra and *B* the *R*-algebra as above. Then there exists the following isomorphism of $Z(\Delta)$ -algebras:

$$\operatorname{HH}^*(B) \simeq Z(\Delta)[w]/(\alpha w),$$

where deg w = 2 and $\alpha = \alpha_1 \alpha_2 \cdots \alpha_s$.

Proof. By Lemma 6.1 and Theorem 4.4, we have

$$\operatorname{HH}^{t}(B) \simeq \operatorname{Ann}_{Z(\Delta)[x]/(x-\alpha)}(x) \simeq \operatorname{Ann}_{Z(\Delta)}(\alpha) = 0$$

for t odd, since α is not a zero divisor in Δ . Hence $\operatorname{HH}^*(B) \simeq \operatorname{HH}^{\operatorname{ev}}(B)$ holds. Moreover, by Proposition 5.1, we have

 $\mathrm{HH}^{\mathrm{ev}}(B) \simeq Z(\Delta)[u, w]/(u - \alpha, uw) \simeq Z(\Delta)[w]/(\alpha w),$

where deg u = 0 and deg w = 2. \Box

We remark that if $\Delta = R$ then the result of Proposition 6.2 coincides with [KSS, Theorem 1.1].

Next, we calculate the Hochschild cohomology ring of the truncated polynomial R-algebra $A_n := \Delta[x]/(x^n)$ with $n \ge 2$.

Proposition 6.3. Let Δ be a separable *R*-algebra, $Z(\Delta)$ a unique factorization domain with char $Z(\Delta) = p \ge 0$, and A_n the truncated polynomial *R*-algebra as above. Then there exists the following isomorphism of $Z(\Delta)$ -algebras:

$$\operatorname{HH}^{*}(A_{n}) \simeq \begin{cases} Z(\Delta)[u, v, w]/(u^{n}, u^{n-1}v, v^{2}, nu^{n-1}w) & \text{if } p \nmid n, \\ Z(\Delta)[u, v, w]/(u^{n}, v^{2}) & \text{if } 2 \neq p \mid n \text{ or} \\ & \text{if } 2 = p \mid n \text{ and } 4 \mid n, \\ Z(\Delta)[u, v, w]/(u^{n}, v^{2} - u^{n-2}w) & \text{if } 2 = p \mid n \text{ and } 4 \nmid n, \end{cases}$$

where deg u = 0, deg v = 1 and deg w = 2.

Proof. Let s = 1 and $f(x) = x^n$ for $n \ge 2$, then $\Lambda = \Delta[x]/(x^n) = A_n$, $z_n = 1$ and $z_j = 0$ for $0 \le j \le n - 1$ in our previous notation.

First, we consider the case $p \nmid n$. Then, since $f'(x) \neq 0$, we can apply Theorem 5.13 to A_n . If p = 2, then we have

$$\operatorname{HH}^*(A_n) \simeq Z(\Delta)[u, v, w]/(u^n, u^{n-1}v, v^2, nu^{n-1}w)$$

where deg u = 0, deg v = 1 and deg w = 2, since $\sum_{\substack{2 \le j \le n \\ \text{s.t. } j \equiv 2 \text{ or } 3 \pmod{4}}} z_j u^{j-2}$ is

equal to u^{n-2} or 0. If $p \neq 2$, then we also have the same isomorphism.

Second, we consider the case $p \mid n$. Then, since f'(x) = 0, we can apply Theorem 5.11 to A_n . If $p \neq 2$, then $\operatorname{HH}^*(A_n) \simeq Z(\Delta)[u, v, w]/(u^n, v^2)$. If p = 2, then we have the desired isomorphisms, since the sum $\sum_{\substack{1 \leq j \leq n/2 \\ \text{s.t. } j \text{ is odd}}} \sum_{\substack{x_{ij} \geq x_{ij} \\ x_{ij} \geq x_{ij} \leq x_{ij} \\ x_{ij} \geq x_{ij} \\$

We remark that if $\Delta = R$ then the result of Proposition 6.3 coincides with [H, Theorem 7.1].

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