

# GERSTENHABER-BATALIN-VILKOVISKI STRUCTURES ON COISOTROPIC INTERSECTIONS

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ABSTRACT. Let  $Y, Z$  be a pair of smooth coisotropic subvarieties in a smooth algebraic Poisson variety  $X$ . We show that any data of first order deformation of the structure sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_X$  to a sheaf of noncommutative algebras and of the sheaves  $\mathcal{O}_Y$  and  $\mathcal{O}_Z$  to sheaves of right and left modules over the deformed algebra, respectively, gives rise to a Batalin-Vilkoviski algebra structure on the Tor-sheaf  $\mathcal{T}or^{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$ . The induced Gerstenhaber bracket on the Tor-sheaf turns out to be canonically defined; it is independent of the choices of deformations involved. There are similar results for Ext-sheaves as well.

Our construction is motivated by, and is closely related to, a result of Behrend-Fantechi [BF], who considered the case of Lagrangian submanifolds in a symplectic manifold.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. **Main result.** Let  $\mathbb{C}$  be a field of characteristic zero. We denote by  $\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon := \mathbb{C}[\varepsilon]/(\varepsilon^2)$  the ring of dual numbers and assume that all unlabeled tensor products stand for  $\otimes_{\mathbb{C}}$ .

We fix  $X$ , a smooth complex algebraic Poisson variety. Write  $\mathcal{O}_X$  for the structure sheaf, resp.  $T_X$  for the tangent sheaf, and  $P \in H^0(X, \Lambda^2 T_X)$  for the Poisson bivector. Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a sheaf of (not necessarily commutative)  $\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon$ -algebras equipped with an algebra isomorphism  $\mathcal{A}/\varepsilon\mathcal{A} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{O}_X$  so that  $\mathcal{A}$  gives a flat deformation of the structure sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_X$ . We require, in addition, that the resulting Poisson bracket  $\{-, -\} : \mathcal{O}_X \times \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X$  induced by the commutator in  $\mathcal{A}$  be given by the formula  $\{f, g\} = \langle P, df \wedge dg \rangle$ . A particular example of such a deformation is the sheaf  $\mathcal{A} := \mathbb{C}_\varepsilon \otimes \mathcal{O}_X = \mathcal{O}_X \oplus \varepsilon\mathcal{O}_X$ , equipped with multiplication given by the well-known formula  $f \times g \mapsto f * g = fg + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\{f, g\}$ , for any  $f, g \in \mathcal{O}_X$ .

Let  $Z \subset X$  be a smooth subvariety and  $\mathcal{O}_Z$  the structure sheaf of  $Z$ . In this paper, we are interested in flat deformations of  $\mathcal{O}_Z$ , viewed as an  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -module supported on  $Z$ , to either left or right  $\mathcal{A}$ -module  $\mathcal{C}$  set theoretically supported on  $Z$ . The flatness assumptions imply that multiplication by  $\varepsilon$  induces an isomorphism  $\mathcal{O}_Y = \mathcal{C}/\varepsilon\mathcal{C} \xrightarrow{\sim} \varepsilon\mathcal{C}$ , and similar isomorphisms  $\mathcal{O}_X \xrightarrow{\sim} \varepsilon\mathcal{A}$ .

We will assume that such a deformation  $\mathcal{C}$  admits local  $k$ -linear splittings (in the Zariski topology)  $\mathcal{C} \simeq (\mathcal{C}/\varepsilon\mathcal{C}) \oplus \varepsilon\mathcal{C}$  such that  $(a \oplus 0) * (c \oplus 0) = ac \oplus \varepsilon\alpha(a, c)$  where  $\alpha(a, c)$  is an algebraic differential operator in each of its arguments (which satisfies an associativity condition recalled in Section 2). If  $X$  is covered by affine open subsets  $U_i$  and on each of them a splitting is chosen as above, then on a double intersection  $U_i \cap U_j$  the two splittings differ by an automorphism

$$c_1 \oplus \varepsilon c_2 \mapsto c_1 \oplus \varepsilon(\psi_{ij}(c_1) + c_2)$$

where each  $\psi_{ij} : \mathcal{O}_Y \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_Y$  may be shown to be an algebraic differential operator. The gluing condition for the locally defined  $\alpha(a, c)$  reads as follows:

$$\alpha_i(a, c) - \alpha_j(a, c) = a\psi_{ij}(c) - \psi_{ij}(ac).$$

Conversely, a covering of  $X$ , a set of operators  $\psi_{ij}$  subject to  $\psi_{ij} + \psi_{jk} = \psi_{ik}$ , and a collection of  $\alpha_i$  describing a deformation of  $\mathcal{O}_Y|_{U_i}$  to a left module over  $\mathcal{A}|_{U_i}$ , define a left  $\mathcal{A}$ -module  $\mathcal{C}$  if the above gluing conditions are satisfied.

It follows that for every such  $\mathcal{C}$  there is a *transposed* deformation  $\mathcal{C}^t$ , which is a right  $\mathcal{A}$ -module, if we set  $\psi_{ij}^t = -\psi_{ij}$  and  $\alpha^t(c, a) = -\alpha(a, c)$ , i.e.

$$(c \oplus 0) * (a \oplus 0) = ac \oplus -\varepsilon\alpha(a, c).$$

The minus signs appear since the opposite algebra  $\mathcal{A}^{op}$  may be viewed as a deformation coming from the bivector  $-P$ .

Next, let  $Y, Z \subset X$  be a pair of smooth subvarieties. Then,  $Y \cap Z$ , a *scheme theoretic* intersection, is a closed subscheme of  $X$  with structure sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_{Y \cap Z} := \mathcal{O}_Y \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{O}_Z$ . More generally, we have  $\mathcal{T}or_{\bullet}^{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$ , a coherent sheaf of supercommutative graded  $\mathcal{O}_{Y \cap Z}$ -algebras. Similarly one has a sheaf  $\mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{O}_X}^{\bullet}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$  that comes equipped with the natural structure of a graded  $\mathcal{T}or_{\bullet}^{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$ -module (the module structure is recalled in Section 3.2).

Recall that a graded commutative algebra  $D = \bigoplus_{k \geq 0} D_k$  equipped with an operator  $\delta : D_{\bullet} \rightarrow D_{\bullet-1}$  is called a Batalin-Vilkovisky (BV) algebra if  $\delta$  is a differential operator of order  $\leq 2$  (with respect to multiplication in  $D$ ) and one has  $\delta^2 = 0$ . In this case, the formula

$$[x, y] := \delta(x \cdot y) - \delta(x) \cdot y - (-1)^{\deg x} x \cdot \delta(y), \quad (1.1.1)$$

provides  $D$  with a structure of Gerstenhaber algebra (i.e., odd Poisson algebra). See e.g. [BF] for more details on these definitions.

Similarly, given a graded  $D$ -module  $M = \bigoplus_{k \geq 0} M_k$ , a BV-module structure on  $M$  is the data of a linear operator  $\delta' : M_{\bullet} \rightarrow M_{\bullet-1}$  such that  $(\delta')^2 = 0$  and such that  $\delta'$  has order  $\leq 2$  in the sense that for any homogeneous  $x, y \in D$  and  $m \in M$ , the following equation holds

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(xy)m - (-1)^{\deg x} x\delta(y)m - \delta(x)ym \\ = \delta'(xym) - (-1)^{\deg x} x\delta'(ym) - (-1)^{\deg x \deg y + \deg y} y\delta'(xm) + (-1)^{\deg x + \deg y} xy\delta'(m). \end{aligned}$$

In such a case, an analogue of formula (1.1.1) (for  $\delta'$  instead of  $\delta$ ) gives a pairing  $\{-, -\} : D \otimes M \rightarrow M$  that makes  $M$  a Gerstenhaber module over  $D$ .

The main result of this paper, which is our attempt to understand a construction of Behrend-Fantechi [BF], reads

**Theorem 1.1.2.** *Let  $Y, Z$  be a pair of smooth coisotropic subvarieties in a smooth Poisson variety  $X$ . Then,*

(i) *Associated with the data of a flat  $\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon$ -deformation of the sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_Y$  to a right  $\mathcal{A}$ -module  $\mathcal{B}$  and of the sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_Z$  to a left  $\mathcal{A}$ -module  $\mathcal{C}$ , there is a second order differential operator  $\delta : \mathcal{T}or_{\bullet}^{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}or_{\bullet-1}^{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$  that provides the algebra  $\mathcal{T}or_{\bullet}^{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$  with a structure of BV algebra, i.e., we have  $\delta^2 = 0$ .*

(ii) *The induced bracket (1.1.1) on  $\mathcal{T}or_{\bullet}^{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$  is independent of the choice of deformations  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$ . Moreover, flat deformations exist locally which provides  $\mathcal{T}or_{\bullet}^{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$  with a canonical structure of Gerstenhaber algebra depending only on the Poisson bivector on  $X$ .*

(iii) *Similarly, given an additional flat  $\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon$ -deformation of  $\mathcal{O}_Z$  to a right  $\mathcal{A}$ -module  $\mathcal{C}'$ , there is an associated second order differential operator  $\delta' : \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{O}_X}^{\bullet}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{O}_X}^{\bullet-1}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$ , such that  $(\delta')^2 = 0$ . If  $\mathcal{C}' = \mathcal{C}^t$  the corresponding operator  $\delta'$  provides the sheaf  $\mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{O}_X}^{\bullet}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$  with a structure of BV-module over the BV algebra  $\mathcal{T}or_{\bullet}^{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$ . Moreover, the resulting pairing*

$$\{-, -\} : \mathcal{T}or_{\bullet}^{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z) \times \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{O}_X}^{\bullet}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{O}_X}^{\bullet}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$$

*is independent of the choice of deformations  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$ . Thus, it provides  $\mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{O}_X}^{\bullet}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$  with a canonical structure of Gerstenhaber module over the Gerstenhaber algebra  $\mathcal{T}or_{\bullet}^{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$ .*

Several examples of such BV and Gerstenhaber structures are discussed in §5 below.

**1.2. Construction of the BV differential.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be any flat  $\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon$ -deformation of the sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_X$  to a sheaf of associative  $\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon$ -algebras equipped with an algebra isomorphism  $\mathcal{A}/\varepsilon\mathcal{A} \simeq \varepsilon\mathcal{A}$ . Similarly assume that  $\mathcal{O}_Y$  admits a flat deformation  $\mathcal{B}$  to a right  $\mathcal{A}$ -module and  $\mathcal{O}_Z$  has a flat deformation  $\mathcal{C}$  to a left  $\mathcal{A}$ -module.

The short exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow \varepsilon\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}/\varepsilon\mathcal{C} \rightarrow 0$  induces a long exact sequence

$$\dots \rightarrow \mathcal{T}or_{i+1}^{\mathcal{A}}(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}/\varepsilon\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}or_i^{\mathcal{A}}(\mathcal{B}, \varepsilon\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}or_i^{\mathcal{A}}(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}or_i^{\mathcal{A}}(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}/\varepsilon\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \dots$$

Locally, we can choose a projective resolution  $P^\bullet$  of  $\mathcal{B}$  with  $\mathcal{A}$ -modules, such that  $P^\bullet/\varepsilon P^\bullet$  is a resolution of  $\mathcal{O}_Y$  with projective  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -modules. Further, we have an isomorphism of functors  $(\cdot) \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} \varepsilon\mathcal{C} \simeq (\cdot) \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} \mathcal{O}_X \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{O}_Z$  and similarly for  $\mathcal{C}/\varepsilon\mathcal{C}$ . We deduce canonical isomorphisms

$$\mathcal{T}or_i^{\mathcal{A}}(\mathcal{B}, \varepsilon\mathcal{C}) \simeq \mathcal{T}or_i^{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z) \simeq \mathcal{T}or_i^{\mathcal{A}}(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}/\varepsilon\mathcal{C})$$

Denote by

$$\delta : \mathcal{T}or_{i+1}^{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}or_i^{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$$

the resulting connecting morphism. Similarly, suppose that we have a deformation  $\mathcal{C}'$  of  $\mathcal{O}_Z$  to a *right*  $\mathcal{A}$ -module. Then there is a long exact sequence

$$\dots \rightarrow \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{A}}^{i-1}(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}'/\varepsilon\mathcal{C}') \rightarrow \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{A}}^i(\mathcal{B}, \varepsilon\mathcal{C}') \rightarrow \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{A}}^i(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}') \rightarrow \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{A}}^i(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}'/\varepsilon\mathcal{C}') \rightarrow \dots$$

In particular, one has a morphism

$$\delta' : \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{A}}^i(\mathcal{B}, \varepsilon\mathcal{C}') \simeq \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{O}_X}^i(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z) \longrightarrow \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{O}_X}^{i+1}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z) \simeq \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{A}}^{i+1}(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}'/\varepsilon\mathcal{C}')$$

When both  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{C}'$  are given we will assume that  $\mathcal{C}' = \mathcal{C}^t$  or  $\mathcal{C}'$  is *transposed to*  $\mathcal{C}$ . See Section 3.2 regarding the canonical product on Tor and its action on Ext.

**1.3. A conjecture by physicists.** Let  $X$  be a smooth algebraic symplectic manifold. Kapustin and Rozansky propose the following

**Conjecture 1.3.1.** To each pair  $Y, Z \subset X$ , of smooth Lagrangian submanifolds, one can associate a triangulated category  $\mathcal{C}at_X(Y, Z)$  with the following properties:

- The Hochschild homology, resp. cohomology, of the category  $\mathcal{C}at_X(Y, Z)$  are given by

$$HH^\bullet(\mathcal{C}at_X(Y, Z)) \cong \text{Tor}_\bullet^X(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z), \quad HH_\bullet(\mathcal{C}at_X(Y, Z)) \cong \text{Ext}_X^\bullet(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z).$$

- The standard Connes differential on  $HH_\bullet(\mathcal{C}at_X(Y, Z))$  induces a BV differential on  $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{O}_X}^\bullet(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$ , resp. the standard Gerstenhaber bracket on  $HH^\bullet(\mathcal{C}at_X(Y, Z))$  induces a Gerstenhaber bracket on  $\text{Tor}_\bullet^X(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$ .
- If  $X = T^\vee Y$  is the cotangent bundle of  $Y$  and  $Z = Y$  is the zero section, then  $\mathcal{C}at_X(Y, Z) = D^b(\text{Coh } Y)$ . In this case, we have

$$HH^\bullet(D^b(\text{Coh } Y)) = H^\bullet(Y, \wedge^\bullet T_Y) = \text{Tor}_\bullet^{T^\vee Y}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Y).$$

so that the Gerstenhaber bracket goes to the Schouten bracket on  $\wedge^\bullet T_Y$ ; similarly for  $HH_\bullet(D^b(\text{Coh } Y)) = H_\bullet(Y, \wedge^\bullet T_Y^\vee)$ .

- More generally, let  $X = T^\vee Y$  and  $Y$  be the zero section as above, and let  $Z = \text{Graph}(df)$  where  $f \in k[Y]$ . Then  $\mathcal{C}at_X(Y, Z)$  is the category of matrix factorizations  $(F \xrightleftharpoons[d']{d} F')$ ,  $d \circ d' = f \cdot \text{Id} = d' \circ d$ , associated with the function  $f$ .

Observe that the sheaves  $\mathcal{T}or^{\bullet, \mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$  are related to the hyper-Tor groups  $\mathrm{Tor}^X(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$  via the local-to-global spectral sequence  $H^\bullet(X, \mathcal{T}or^{\bullet, \mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)) \Rightarrow \mathrm{Tor}^X(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$ . At the same time, the global hyper-Tor may also be calculated by applying  $R\Gamma$  to the sheaf of DG algebras  $T_\bullet$  described in Section 3 below. Thus, we expect that there exists a refined version of our results, in which Gerstenhaber or Batalin-Vilkovisky structures on the cohomology sheaves of  $T_\bullet$ , are replaced by their “strong homotopy” versions on  $T_\bullet$  itself. In fact, the lemmas of Section 3.2 point towards such a refinement. Similar remarks apply to the Ext groups (local and global), and the resolution  $E^\bullet$  of Section 3.

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Given a vector bundle (a locally free sheaf)  $E$ , we write  $E^\vee$  for the dual vector bundle. Let  $\Omega_X$ , resp.  $T_X = \Omega_X^\vee$ , denote the cotangent, resp. tangent, sheaf on a manifold  $X$ . Let  $N_{X/Y}$  denote the normal sheaf for a submanifold  $Y \subset X$ .

## 2. EXISTENCE OF FIRST AND SECOND ORDER DEFORMATIONS.

**2.1. Algebraic setup.** Following Gerstenhaber, a  $\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon$ -flat deformation of an associative  $\mathbb{C}$ -algebra  $A$  is given by an associative product structure on  $A_\varepsilon = A \oplus \varepsilon A$  is defined by

$$(a_1 \oplus 0) * (a_2 \oplus 0) = a_1 a_2 \oplus \varepsilon \alpha_A(a_1, a_2), \quad a_1, a_2 \in A \subset A_\varepsilon$$

with  $\alpha_A : A \otimes A \rightarrow A$  a  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear map. The associativity of the  $*$ -product is equivalent to the equation

$$\alpha_A(a_1 a_2, a_3) - \alpha_A(a_1, a_2 a_3) + \alpha_A(a_1, a_2) a_3 - a_1 \alpha_A(a_2, a_3) = 0. \quad (2.1.1)$$

Fix a  $\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon$ -flat deformation of  $A$  as above. Let  $B$  be a right  $A$ -module. Given a right  $A$ -module  $B$ , one may consider  $\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon$ -flat extensions of the  $A$ -module structure to a right  $A_\varepsilon$ -module on  $B_\varepsilon = B \oplus \varepsilon B$ . Explicitly, such an  $A_\varepsilon$ -module structure on  $B_\varepsilon$  is determined by a bilinear map  $\alpha_B : B \otimes A \rightarrow B$ . The corresponding right  $A_\varepsilon$ -action is given by the formula

$$(b \oplus 0) * (a \oplus 0) = ba \oplus \varepsilon \alpha_B(b, a), \quad a \in A, b \in B.$$

The map  $\alpha_B : B \otimes A \rightarrow B$  must satisfy the associativity equation

$$\alpha_B(b a_2, a_3) - \alpha_B(b, a_2 a_3) + \alpha_B(b, a_2) a_3 - b \alpha_A(a_2, a_3) = 0. \quad (2.1.2)$$

Further, any pair of automorphisms  $A_\varepsilon \rightarrow A_\varepsilon$ ,  $B_\varepsilon \rightarrow B_\varepsilon$  given by

$$a \mapsto a \oplus \varepsilon \beta_A(a); \quad b \mapsto b \oplus \varepsilon \beta_B(b)$$

with  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear  $\beta_A : A \rightarrow A$ ,  $\beta_B : B \rightarrow B$ , induces equivalent deformations corresponding to

$$\alpha_A(a_1, a_2) \mapsto \alpha_A(a_1, a_2) + \beta_A(a_1 a_2) - a_1 \beta_A(a_2) - \beta_A(a_1) a_2 \quad (2.1.3)$$

$$\alpha_B(b, a_2) \mapsto \alpha_B(b, a_2) + \beta_B(b a_2) - b \beta_A(a_2) - \beta_B(b) a_2 \quad (2.1.4)$$

The deformation extends to  $\mathbb{C}[\varepsilon]/(\varepsilon^3)$  if and only if

$$\alpha_A(\alpha_A(a_1, a_2), a_3) - \alpha_A(a_1, \alpha_A(a_2, a_3)) = d\gamma_A(a_1, a_2, a_3) \quad (2.1.5)$$

$$\alpha_B(\alpha_B(b, a_1), a_2) - \alpha_B(b, \alpha_A(a_1, a_2)) = d\gamma_B(b, a_1, a_2) \quad (2.1.6)$$

where  $\gamma_A : A \otimes A \rightarrow A$ ,  $\gamma_B : B \otimes A \rightarrow B$  and  $d\gamma_A$ ,  $d\gamma_B$  are defined similarly to the LHS of (2.1.1) and (2.1.2), respectively.

**2.2. Deformation complex.** The identities of the previous subsection can be reformulated as follows. The  $A$ -module structure on  $B$  defines a homomorphism  $g : A \rightarrow \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(B)$  of algebras over  $\mathbb{C}$ , and deforming the algebra/module structure amounts to deforming  $g$  to an algebra homomorphism  $A_{\varepsilon} \rightarrow \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}_{\varepsilon}}(B_{\varepsilon})$ . Observe that  $\text{End}_{\mathbb{C}_{\varepsilon}}(B_{\varepsilon})$  is the trivial deformation of  $\text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(B)$ . Thus, adjusting the definitions of [GS], [FMY] (i.e. removing the term responsible for the deformation of  $\text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(B)$ ) we introduce the deformation complex

$$C_g^n = C^n(A, A) \oplus C^{n-1}(A, \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(B)) = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(A^{\otimes n}, A) \oplus \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(A^{\otimes(n-1)}, \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(B))$$

where  $C^n(A, X)$  is the standard complex of Hochschild cochains of a  $A$ -bimodule  $X$ . The differential of  $C_g^n$  is given by

$$d_g(\alpha_A \oplus \alpha_B) = d_H \alpha_A \oplus (g \alpha_A - d_H \alpha_B)$$

where  $d_H$  is the standard Hochschild differential, cf. *loc. cit.* Denote  $H_g^n := H^n(C_g^{\bullet})$ .

Equations (2.1.1), (2.1.2) say that  $\alpha = \alpha_A \oplus \alpha_B$  is a cocycle in  $C_g^2$ . Equations (2.1.3) and (2.1.4) say that the equivalence class of the deformation depends only on the image of  $\alpha$  in  $H_g^2$ .

To reinterpret integrability conditions recall that by *loc. cit.*  $C_g^{\bullet-1}$  has a structure of a DG Lie algebra such that  $C^{\bullet-1}(A, A)$  with its Gerstenhaber bracket, is a quotient DG Lie algebra of  $C_g^{\bullet-1}$ . Explicitly, up to a choice of signs for  $\alpha_A \oplus \alpha_B \in C_g^n$ ,  $\alpha'_A \oplus \alpha'_B \in C_g^m$  one has

$$[\alpha_A \oplus \alpha_B, \alpha'_A \oplus \alpha'_B] =$$

$$(\alpha_A \circ \alpha'_A - (-1)^{(n-1)(m-1)} \alpha'_A \circ \alpha_A) \oplus (\alpha_B \circ \alpha'_A + \alpha_B \cup \alpha'_B - (-1)^{(n-1)(m-1)} (\alpha'_B \circ \alpha_A + \alpha'_B \cup \alpha_B))$$

where

$$\alpha_B \circ \alpha'_A = \sum_{s=1}^n (-1)^{(s-1)(m-1)} \alpha_B (1_A^{\otimes(s-1)} \otimes \alpha'_A \otimes 1_A^{\otimes(n-s)})$$

and similarly for the other terms. The cup product  $\alpha_B \cup \alpha'_A : B \otimes A^{\otimes m+n-1} \rightarrow B$  is the composition of  $\alpha_B \otimes \alpha'_A : B \otimes A^{\otimes m+n-1} \rightarrow B \otimes A$  and the action map  $B \otimes A \rightarrow B$ .

Then (2.1.5), (2.1.6) say that  $\frac{1}{2}[\alpha, \alpha] = d_g(\gamma)$ , i.e. that  $[\alpha, \alpha]$  represents the zero class in  $H_g^3$ .

Observe that  $C^{\bullet-1}(A, \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(B))$  is a subcomplex of  $C_g^{\bullet}$ , and  $C^{\bullet}(A, A)$  is a quotient complex of  $C_g^{\bullet}$ . The corresponding long exact sequence of cohomology reads

$$\dots \rightarrow \text{Ext}_A^{n-1}(B, B) \rightarrow H_g^n \rightarrow H^n(A, A) \xrightarrow{g} \text{Ext}_A^n(B, B) \rightarrow \dots \quad (2.2.1)$$

We see that an  $n$ -cocycle  $\alpha_A \in C^2(A, A)$  may be lifted to a class in  $H_g^2$  if and only if the map  $g \circ \alpha_A : A \times A \rightarrow \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}} B$ , that represents the image of the class of  $\alpha_A$  under the connecting homomorphism, gives the zero class in  $\text{Ext}_A^2(B, B)$ .

Similarly, given an algebra homomorphism  $h : A \rightarrow (\text{End}_{\mathbb{C}} C)^{op}$ , one can introduce a deformation complex with

$$C_{g,h}^n = C^n(A, A) \oplus C^{n-1}(A, \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(B)) \oplus C^{n-1}(A, \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(C)),$$

the differential

$$d_g(\alpha_A \oplus \alpha_B \oplus \alpha_C) = d_H \alpha_A \oplus (g \alpha_A - d_H \alpha_B) \oplus (h \alpha_A - d_H \alpha_C)$$

and cohomology groups  $H_{g,h}^{\bullet}$ . There is a long exact sequence

$$\dots \rightarrow \text{Ext}_A^{n-1}(B, B) \oplus \text{Ext}_A^{n-1}(C, C) \rightarrow H_{g,h}^n \rightarrow H^n(A, A) \xrightarrow{g} \text{Ext}_A^n(B, B) \oplus \text{Ext}_A^n(C, C) \rightarrow \dots$$

**2.3. Local deformations.** Let now  $X$  be a smooth affine variety and  $Y \subset X$  a smooth closed subvariety. Write  $A := \mathbb{C}[X]$ , resp.  $B := \mathbb{C}[Y]$ , for the corresponding coordinate rings.

A bivector  $P \in H^0(X, \Lambda^2 T_X)$  with a vanishing Schouten bracket gives a Poisson structure on  $A$ . We will say that  $Y$  is *coisotropic* with respect to  $P$  if  $P$  projects to zero in  $H^0(Y, \Lambda^2 N_{X/Y})$ .

**Proposition 2.3.1.** *Let  $\alpha_A \in C^2(A, A)$  be a 2-cocycle. Then, we have*

(i)  *$Y$  is a coisotropic subvariety in  $X$  if and only if there exists  $\alpha_B : B \otimes A \rightarrow B$  giving a first order deformation of  $B$ .*

(ii) *If  $[\alpha_A, \alpha_A] = 0$ , then any such  $\alpha_B$  automatically extends to a second order deformation, i.e. satisfies (2.1.6).*

(iii) *If, moreover,  $\alpha_A(a_1, a_2) = \frac{1}{2}\langle P, da_1 \wedge da_2 \rangle$  is given by a bivector field  $P \in H^0(X, \Lambda^2 T_X)$  such that  $[P, P] = 0$ , then one may choose  $\alpha_B : B \otimes A \rightarrow B$  to be a sum of a bidifferential operator of bidegree  $(1, 1)$  and a bidifferential operator of bidegree  $(0, 2)$ .*

*Proof.* For (i) just note that  $g\alpha_A = d_H\alpha_B$  in  $C^2(A, \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(B))$  means that (2.1.2) holds by definition of the maps involved. For (ii) observe that, in the smooth case, the long exact sequence (2.2.1) takes the form

$$\dots \rightarrow H^0(X, \Lambda^{n-1} T_X) \rightarrow H^0(Y, \Lambda^{n-1} N_{X/Y}) \rightarrow H_g^n \rightarrow H^0(X, \Lambda^n T_X) \rightarrow \dots$$

By definition of  $C_g^n$  the connecting homomorphism  $H^0(X, \Lambda^n T_X) \rightarrow H^0(Y, \Lambda^n N_{X/Y})$  is given by composition of restriction to  $Y$  and projection onto  $N_{X/Y}$ . Observe that this morphism is onto since  $Y$  is affine. Thus the long exact sequence splits into short sequences

$$0 \rightarrow H_g^n \rightarrow H^0(X, \Lambda^n T_X) \rightarrow H^0(Y, \Lambda^n N_{X/Y}) \rightarrow 0$$

The map  $H_g^{\bullet-1} \rightarrow H^0(X, \Lambda^{\bullet-1})$  is a Lie algebra morphism by definitions of the brackets involved. Then  $[\alpha, \alpha] \in H_g^3$  has zero image in  $H^0(X, \Lambda^3 T_X)$  by the assumption on  $\alpha_A$ . Hence  $[\alpha, \alpha] = 0$  due to the short exact sequence above.

Part (iii) requires a finer argument. Assume  $\alpha_B$  exists and denote  $\phi(a) := \alpha_B(1_B, a) : A \rightarrow B$ . Then

$$\phi(xa) - \phi(x)a + 1_B\alpha_A(x, a) = 0; \quad x \in I, a \in A \quad (2.3.2)$$

(since the LHS is  $-\alpha_B(1_Bx, a)$ ). On the other hand, given such a  $\phi$  we can define

$$\alpha_B(b, a) = \phi(\tilde{b}a) - \phi(\tilde{b})a + 1_B\alpha_A(\tilde{b}, a).$$

where  $\tilde{b}$  is any lift of  $b \in B$  to  $A$ . The condition (2.3.2) ensures that the RHS is independent on the choice of the lift. The same equation ensures that also the cocycle condition holds for  $\alpha_B(b, a)$ .

Thus, it suffices to find a second order operator  $\phi : A \rightarrow B$  satisfying (2.3.2). We will provide one which is a composition of two first order operators  $\psi : A \rightarrow I/I^2$  and  $\phi_I : I/I^2 \rightarrow B$  such that  $\phi_I$  satisfies (2.3.2) and  $\phi$  restricts to the canonical ( $A$ -linear) projection  $I \rightarrow I/I^2$ .

To define  $\psi$  we choose a splitting  $\pi : \Omega_X^1|_Y \rightarrow N_{X/Y}^\vee$  of the short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow N_{X/Y}^\vee \rightarrow \Omega_X^1|_Y \rightarrow \Omega_Y^1 \rightarrow 0$$

(which exists since  $Y$  is affine) and set  $\psi(a) = \pi[(da)|_Y]$ . By definition of  $\pi$ , the restriction of  $\psi$  to  $I$  is just the canonical projection  $I \rightarrow I/I^2 \simeq \Gamma(Y, N_{X/Y}^\vee)$ .

To find  $\phi_I : I/I^2 \rightarrow B$  as above we first observe that it can be considered as a differential operator over  $B$ , rather than  $A$ , since  $I$  acts trivially on both source and target. There is a standard exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_Y}(N_{X/Y}^\vee, \mathcal{O}_Y) \rightarrow \text{Diff}^{\leq 1}(N_{X/Y}^\vee, \mathcal{O}_Y) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_Y}(N_{X/Y}^\vee \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_Y} \Omega_Y^1, \mathcal{O}_Y)$$

where the last arrow is given by the symbol map. Since by assumption  $P$  projects to zero in  $\wedge^2 T_Y$ , it gives a well-defined element in the next associated graded quotient of the filtration on  $\wedge^2 T_X|_Y$  induced by the normal exact sequence, and this quotient is  $N_{X/Y} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_Y} T_Y$ . Then (2.3.2) simply says that the symbol of  $\phi_I$  is given by the image of  $-\frac{1}{2}P$  in  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_Y}(N_{X/Y}^\vee \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_Y} \Omega_Y^1, \mathcal{O}_Y)$ . Since  $Y$  is affine, the symbol map is onto: in general its cokernel is embedded into  $\text{Ext}_Y^1(N_{X/Y}^\vee, \mathcal{O}_Y)$  as can be seen by considering the bundle  $\mathcal{P}^1(N^\vee)$  of principal parts, cf. [EGA], which satisfies

$$\text{Diff}^{\leq 1}(N_{X/Y}^\vee, \mathcal{O}_Y) \simeq \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_Y}(\mathcal{P}^1(N^\vee), \mathcal{O}_Y)$$

and fits into a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow N_{X/Y}^\vee \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_Y^1(N_{X/Y}^\vee) \rightarrow N_{X/Y}^\vee \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_Y} \Omega_Y^1 \rightarrow 0.$$

We also observe there that for general  $Y$  the obstruction to existence of  $\phi_I$  is the cup product of the Atiyah class of  $N_{X/Y}^\vee$  in  $\text{Ext}_Y^1(N_{X/Y}^\vee, N_{X/Y}^\vee \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_Y} \Omega_Y^1)$  and (up to sign) the image of the Poisson bivector in  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_Y}(N_{X/Y}^\vee \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_Y} \Omega_Y^1, \mathcal{O}_Y)$ .

Thus, we found a degree 2 operator  $\phi := \psi \circ \phi_I : A \rightarrow B$  which satisfies (2.3.2) and thus

$$\alpha_B(b, a) = \phi(\tilde{b}a) - \phi(\tilde{b})a + 1_B \alpha_A(\tilde{b}, a) : B \otimes A \rightarrow B$$

makes sense and satisfies the cocycle condition. It remains to show that it has required order with respect to its arguments. It has order  $\leq 2$  in the argument  $a$  since this holds for  $\phi(-)$  and  $\alpha_A(\tilde{b}, -)$ . Moreover, using the definitions we easily derive

$$\alpha_B(b_1, b_2) - b_1 \alpha_B(b_2, a) = b_2(\alpha_B(b_1, a) - b_1 \phi(a))$$

thus  $\alpha_B$  has order  $\leq 1$  in the  $b$  argument. In addition, one can show that the expression

$$\alpha'_B(b, a) = \alpha_B(b, a) - b\phi(a)$$

is a derivation in the second argument, which means that  $\alpha_B$  has no term of bidegree (1, 2). Hence the total order of  $\alpha_B$  is  $\leq 2$  and the assertion follows.  $\square$

*Remark 2.3.3.* Since (iii) is rather important in our setting, we sketch two more proofs.

*Second proof.* Equation (2) says that  $d\alpha_B = \alpha_A \cdot Id_B$  holds in  $C^2(A, \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(B))$ . Let  $D^\bullet(A, \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(B))$  be a subcomplex of the Hochschild complex formed by cochains given by multidifferential operators. The arguments from [Kon], pp. 16-17 can be used to show that the cohomology groups of the complex  $D^\bullet(A, \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(B))$  are  $\wedge^\bullet N_{X/Y}$ . Therefore, it follows from a version of the Hochschild-Kostant-Rosenberg result that the imbedding  $j : D^\bullet(A, \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(B)) \hookrightarrow C^\bullet(A, \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(B))$  induces an isomorphism  $H^\bullet(j)$ , on cohomology.

Now, the Poisson bivector on  $X$  gives a class  $\alpha_A \cdot Id_B \in D^2(A, \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(B))$ . Since  $Y$  is coisotropic,  $j(\alpha_A \cdot Id_B) \in C^2(A, \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(B))$  is a coboundary. By injectivity of  $H^2(j)$  the class  $\alpha_A \cdot Id_B \in D^2(A, \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(B))$  is itself a coboundary, i.e.  $d\alpha_B = \alpha_A \cdot Id_B$  for some  $\alpha_B \in D^2(A, \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(B))$ . A separate easy calculation shows that the symbol of  $\alpha_B$  is a linear combination of maps  $\text{Sym}^2 \Omega_{A/\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow B$  and  $\Omega_{A/\mathbb{C}} \otimes \Omega_{B/\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow B$ , i.e. its component  $\text{Sym}^2 \Omega_{B/\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow B$  is actually zero.

*Third proof.* We will look for  $\alpha_B$  of the form

$$\alpha_B(b, a) = \rho(db, da) + b\eta(a)$$

where  $\rho : \Omega_{B/\mathbb{C}} \otimes_A \Omega_{A/\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow B$  is a  $A$ -linear map and  $\eta : A \rightarrow B$  a second order operator satisfying  $\eta(1) = 0$ . If  $\sigma\eta : \text{Sym}_A^2 \Omega_{A/\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow B$  is the  $A$ -linear map given by the principal symbol of  $\eta$ , then equation (2.1.2) becomes equivalent to

$$\rho(d(a_2|_Y), da_3) = \sigma\eta(da_2, da_3) + \alpha_A(a_2, a_3)|_Y$$

Choose a splitting  $\Omega_X^1|_Y \simeq N_{X/Y}^\vee \oplus \Omega_Y^1$  as in the first proof, and let  $\pi, p$  be the first and the second projection, respectively. Since

$$P|_Y : \Omega_X^1|_Y \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_Y} \Omega_X^1|_Y \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_Y$$

vanishes on  $N_{X/Y}^\vee \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_Y} N_{X/Y}^\vee$  we can set

$$\sigma\eta(da_2, da_3) = \frac{1}{2}P|_Y(pda_2, \pi da_3) - \frac{1}{2}P|_Y(\pi da_2, pda_3); \quad \rho(d(a_2|_Y), da_3) = \frac{1}{2}P|_Y(pda_2, da_3 + pda_3).$$

Observe that  $\rho$  indeed depends only on  $d(a_2|_Y)$ . Now we can lift the principal symbol  $\sigma\eta$  to the required  $\eta : A \rightarrow B$  by an argument similar to the one in the first proof.

*Remark 2.3.4.* It can be shown using the arguments of the proof above and those of Section 4 below that the existence of a (not necessarily split) deformation for  $\mathcal{O}_Y$  with  $Y$  coisotropic, is equivalent to the vanishing of a certain class in  $H^1(Y, N_{X/Y})$ . This class is the cup product of the Atiyah class in  $H^1(Y, \Omega_Y^1 \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_Y} \text{End}(N_{X/Y}))$  with the image of  $P$  in  $H^0(Y, T_Y \otimes N_{X/Y})$ .

### 3. AN ALGEBRAIC CONSTRUCTION OF BV OPERATORS

**3.1. Complexes computing  $\text{Tor}_\bullet^A(B, C)$  and  $\text{Ext}_A^\bullet(B, C)$ .** In this subsection we fix a commutative algebra  $A$  and a pair of  $A$ -modules  $B, C$ . We have associated algebra homomorphisms  $g : A \rightarrow \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}} B$ , resp.  $h : A \rightarrow \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}} C$ .

Recall that the  $A$ -module  $B$  admits a free bar resolution  $B \otimes T(A) \otimes A \rightarrow B$ , cf. [We]. Therefore  $\text{Tor}_\bullet^A(B, C)$  and  $\text{Ext}_A^\bullet(B, C)$  can be computed as cohomology of complexes  $T_\bullet$  and  $E^\bullet$ , respectively, with

$$T_i = B \otimes A^{\otimes i} \otimes C, \quad E^i = \text{Hom}_k(B \otimes A^{\otimes i}, C)$$

The differentials are given by

$$\begin{aligned} d_T(b \otimes a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_i \otimes c) &= ba_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_i \otimes c + (-1)^i b \otimes a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_{i-1} \otimes a_i c + \\ &\quad + \sum_{s=1}^{i-1} (-1)^s b \otimes a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_s a_{s+1} \otimes \dots \otimes a_i \otimes c \\ d_E \phi(b \otimes a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_{i+1}) &= -\phi(ba_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_{i+1}) + (-1)^{i-1} \phi(b \otimes a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_i) a_{i+1} \\ &\quad + \sum_{s=1}^{i-1} (-1)^{s-1} \phi(b \otimes a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_s a_{s+1} \otimes \dots \otimes a_{i+1}) \end{aligned}$$

We consider deformations of  $(A, B, C)$ . Such a deformation is determined by an element of the deformation complex  $C_{g,h}^2$  given by the cocycle  $(\alpha_A, \alpha_B, \alpha_C)$ . Working with  $T_\bullet$  we always assume that  $\alpha_B$  gives a deformation of  $B$  to a right module and  $\alpha_C$  a deformation of  $C$  to a left module.

The triple  $(\alpha_A, \alpha_B, \alpha_C)$  induces an operation  $\delta_\alpha : T_i \rightarrow T_{i-1}$  given essentially by the same formula as  $d_T$  but  $ba_1$  is replaced by  $\alpha_B(b, a_1)$ ,  $a_s a_{s+1}$  by  $\alpha_A(a_s, a_{s+1})$  and  $a_i c$  by  $\alpha_C(a_i, c)$ . If, in addition  $\alpha'_C : C \otimes A \rightarrow A$  gives a deformation to a right module, then the triple  $(\alpha_A, \alpha_B, \alpha'_C)$  induces

an operation  $\delta'_\alpha : E^i \rightarrow E^{i+1}$  given by a formula similar to  $d_E$  (this time  $\phi(X)a_i$  is replaced by  $\alpha'_C(\phi(X), a_i)$ ). The following result is proved by direct computation

**Lemma 3.1.1.** *Let  $\delta_\alpha$  be the operator on  $T$ . constructed from a triple  $(\alpha_A, \alpha_B, \alpha_C)$ .*

(1) *If  $(\alpha_A, \alpha_B)$  is a cocycle in  $C_g^2$  and  $(\alpha_A, \alpha_C)$  is a cocycle in  $C_h^2$  then*

$$\delta_\alpha d_T + d_T \delta_\alpha = 0$$

(2) *If  $(\tilde{\alpha}_A, \tilde{\alpha}_B) - (\alpha_A, \alpha_B) = d(\beta_A, \beta_B)$  and  $(\tilde{\alpha}_A, \tilde{\alpha}_C) - (\alpha_A, \alpha_C) = d(\beta_A, \beta_C)$  then*

$$\delta_{\tilde{\alpha}} - \delta_\alpha = d_T \delta_\beta + \delta_\beta d_T$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_\beta(b \otimes a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_n \otimes c) &= \beta_B(b) \otimes a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_n \otimes c + \\ &+ \sum_i (-1)^i b \otimes a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \beta_A(a_i) \otimes \dots \otimes a_n \otimes c + (-1)^{n+1} b \otimes a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_n \otimes \beta_C(c) \end{aligned}$$

(3) *If (2.1.5), (2.1.6) hold (with similar equation and notation assumed for  $\alpha_C$ ), then*

$$\delta_\alpha^2 = d_T \delta_\gamma + \delta_\gamma d_T$$

*Similar identities hold for the map  $\delta'_\alpha$  constructed from  $(\alpha_A, \alpha_B, \alpha'_C)$ , with  $d_T$  replaced by  $d_E$ .*

We now interpret  $\delta_\alpha$  in the context of the long exact sequence of Section 1.2. Since  $B_\varepsilon$  is flat over  $\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon$  we can construct a bar resolution using tensor products over  $\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon$ :

$$\dots \rightarrow B_\varepsilon \otimes_{\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon} A_\varepsilon \otimes_{\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon} A_\varepsilon \rightarrow B_\varepsilon \otimes_{\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon} A_\varepsilon \rightarrow B_\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$$

where the bar differential is defined using the deformed product  $A_\varepsilon \otimes_{\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon} A_\varepsilon \rightarrow A_\varepsilon$  and the deformed action  $B_\varepsilon \otimes_{\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon} A_\varepsilon \rightarrow B_\varepsilon$ . In particular,  $\text{Tor}_i^{A_\varepsilon}(B_\varepsilon, C_\varepsilon)$  is the homology of the complex with the  $i$ -th term

$$T_i^\varepsilon = B_\varepsilon \otimes_{\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon} A_\varepsilon^{\otimes_{\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon} i} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon} C_\varepsilon \simeq [B \otimes A^{\otimes i} \otimes C] \oplus \varepsilon [B \otimes A^{\otimes i} \otimes C] = T_i \oplus \varepsilon T_i$$

It is easy to see that the differential of this complex is  $d_\varepsilon = d + \varepsilon \delta_\alpha$ . The spectral sequence of the filtered complex  $\varepsilon T. \subset T.^\varepsilon$  boils down to the long exact sequence

$$\dots \rightarrow H_i(T., d) \rightarrow H_i(T.^\varepsilon, d_\varepsilon) \rightarrow H_i(T., d) \rightarrow H_{i-1}(T., d) \rightarrow \dots$$

By definition  $H_i(T., d) = \text{Tor}_i^A(B, C)$ . The connecting differential  $\delta : H_i(T., d) \rightarrow H_{i-1}(T., d)$  is computed as usual: we take a representative  $x \in T_i \subset T_i^\varepsilon$ , assume that  $dx = 0$  then  $d_\varepsilon x \in \varepsilon T_i \in T_i^\varepsilon$  and we set  $\delta(x)$  to be represented by  $\frac{1}{\varepsilon} d_\varepsilon x$ . Due to the definition of  $d_\varepsilon$  this is precisely  $\delta_\alpha$ .

In the case of  $\text{Ext}_A^*(B, C)$  assume that both  $B, C$  are deformed as right modules. Again, if  $(\alpha_A, \alpha_B, \alpha'_C)$  satisfies the cocycle condition determining the first order deformation, the operation  $\delta'_\alpha$  descends to  $\delta'$  on  $\text{Ext}_A^*(B, C)$  defined in Section 1.2. In fact,  $\text{Ext}_{A_\varepsilon}^i(B_\varepsilon, C_\varepsilon)$  may be computed as the cohomology of the complex

$$\begin{aligned} E_\varepsilon^i &= \text{Hom}_{A_\varepsilon}(B_\varepsilon \otimes_{\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon} A_\varepsilon^{\otimes_{\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon} i} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon} C_\varepsilon) = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon}(B_\varepsilon \otimes_{\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon} A_\varepsilon^{\otimes_{\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon} i}, C_\varepsilon) \\ &= \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}_\varepsilon}([B \otimes A^{\otimes i}] \oplus \varepsilon [B \otimes A^{\otimes i}], C \oplus \varepsilon C) \\ &= \text{Hom}_k(B \otimes A^{\otimes i}, C) \oplus \varepsilon \text{Hom}_k(B \otimes A^{\otimes i}, C) =: E^i \oplus \varepsilon E^i. \end{aligned}$$

The differential  $d_\varepsilon$  again splits into  $d_E + \varepsilon \delta'_\alpha$  hence the connecting differential  $\text{Ext}_A^{i-1}(B, C) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_A^i(B, C)$  is induced by  $\delta'_\alpha$ .

Observe that for  $\delta$ , resp.  $\delta'$ , part (1) of the Lemma 3.1.1 implies that  $\delta_\alpha$ , resp.  $\delta'_\alpha$ , does descend to (co)homology. Part (2) says that the operator on cohomology does not change of  $(\alpha_A, \alpha_B, \alpha_C)$  is replaced by  $(\alpha_A, \alpha_B, \alpha_C) + d(\beta_A, \beta_B, \beta_C)$ . Part (3) says that integrability conditions imply  $\delta^2 = 0$ , resp.  $(\delta')^2 = 0$ .

**3.2. Multiplicative properties of  $T_\bullet$  and  $E^\bullet$ .** We begin with a rather general result.

Let  $(D, d)$  be a differential associative  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ -graded algebra with an odd differential  $d$  and an odd linear map  $\delta : D \rightarrow D$  vanishing on the identity. We write  $|x| \in \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  for the parity of a homogeneous element  $x \in D$ , and introduce the notation  $[d, \delta]_+ := d\delta + \delta d$ . Define a bracket  $[-, -] : D \times D \rightarrow D$  as follows

$$[x, y] = \delta(xy) - \delta(x)y - (-1)^{|x|}x\delta(y) \quad x, y \in D.$$

Also, for any  $x, y, z \in D$ , put

$$\Xi(x, y, z) := \delta(xyz) - (-1)^{|x|}x\delta(yz) - \delta(xy)z - (-1)^{|y|(|x|-1)}y\delta(xz).$$

A straightforward computation yields the following result

**Lemma 3.2.1.** *The following identities hold:*

$$(1) \quad d[x, y] - [dx, y] - (-1)^{|x|}[x, dy] = [d, \delta]_+(xy) - [d, \delta]_+(x)y - x[d, \delta]_+(y)$$

$$(2) \quad [x, yz] - [x, y]z - (-1)^{|y||x|}y[x, z] = \Xi(x, y, z) \\ + (-1)^{|x|+|y|}xy\delta(z) + (-1)^{|x|}x\delta(y)z + \delta(x)yz.$$

$$(3) \quad [[x, y], z] + (-1)^{|x|(|y|+|z|)}[[y, z], x] + (-1)^{|z|(|x|+|y|)}[[z, x], y] \\ = \delta^2(xyz) - z\delta^2(xy) - x\delta^2(yz) - y\delta^2(xz) + yz\delta^2(x) + xz\delta^2(y) + zy\delta^2(z) \\ + \delta(\Xi(x, y, z)) - \Xi(\delta(x), y, z) - (-1)^{|x|}\Xi(x, \delta(y), z) - (-1)^{|x|+|y|}\Xi(x, y, \delta(z)).$$

By [We], Exercise 8.6.5, Section 8.7.5 and Lemma 8.7.15 and a similar statement for Ext groups, we have

**Lemma 3.2.2.** *The algebra  $\text{Tor}_\bullet^A(B, C)$  is isomorphic to the homology of the DG algebra  $T_\bullet$  with the shuffle product  $\bullet : T_i \otimes T_j \rightarrow T_{i+j}$  given by*

$$(b \otimes a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_i \otimes c) \bullet (b' \otimes a_{i+1} \otimes \dots \otimes a_{i+j} \otimes c') = \sum_{\sigma \in \text{Sh}(i, j)} (-1)^\sigma bb' \otimes a_{\sigma(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes a_{\sigma(i+j)} \otimes cc'.$$

*The  $\text{Tor}_\bullet^A(B, C)$ -module  $\text{Ext}_A^\bullet(B, C)$  is isomorphic to the cohomology of the  $T_\bullet$ -module  $E^\bullet$  with the action  $\bullet' : T_i \otimes E^j \rightarrow E^{j-i}$  given by*

$$(b \otimes a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_i \otimes c) \bullet' \phi(b' \otimes a_{i+1} \otimes \dots \otimes a_j) = \sum_{\sigma \in \text{Sh}(i, j)} (-1)^\sigma \phi(bb' \otimes a_{\sigma(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes a_{\sigma(i+j)})c$$

**Lemma 3.2.3.** *Let  $T$  be the DG algebra computing the Tor groups and  $\delta = \delta_\alpha$  as introduced in section 2.3 One has  $\Xi(x, y, z) = 0$  for all  $x, y, z$  precisely when*

$$\alpha_B(b_1 b_2, a) - b_1 \alpha_B(b_2, a) - b_2 \alpha_B(b_1, a) + b_1 b_2 \alpha_B(1, a) = 0 \quad (3.2.4)$$

*for all  $b_1, b_2 \in B, a \in A$ , and similarly for  $\alpha_C$ . If  $\alpha'_C = \alpha_C^\dagger$ , the same conditions ensure that*

$$\delta_\alpha(xy)m - x\delta_\alpha(y)m - y\delta_\alpha(x)m = \delta'_\alpha(xym) - x\delta'_\alpha(y)m - y\delta'_\alpha(x)m + xy\delta'_\alpha(m) \quad (3.2.5)$$

*Proof.* Let  $x = b_x \otimes x_1 \dots x_{l_x} \otimes c_x$  and use the similar notation for  $y, z$ . If we plug in the formula for  $\delta$  into the definition of  $\Xi(x, y, z)$  we get three kinds of terms: those which involve  $\alpha_B$ ,  $\alpha_A$  and  $\alpha_C$ , respectively. For instance, the terms in  $\delta(xyz)$  coming from  $\alpha_A$ , will involved tensor factors of the type

$$\alpha_A(x_i, x_{i+1}), \alpha_A(y_j, y_{j+1}), \alpha_A(z_s, z_{s+1}),$$

$$\alpha_A(x_i, y_j), \alpha_A(y_j, x_i), \alpha_A(x_i, z_s), \alpha_A(z_s, x_i), \alpha_A(y_j, z_s), \alpha_A(z_s, y_j)$$

For  $x\delta(yz)$  we need to include only those terms in which  $\alpha_A$  is applied to  $y_j$  and  $z_s$  but not to  $x_i$ , and so on. Hence the terms in  $\Xi(x, y, z)$  which depend on  $\alpha_A$  cancel out by inclusion-exclusion formula. Looking at terms which involve  $\alpha_B$  we get for  $\delta(x, y, z)$ :

$$\alpha_B(b_x b_y b_z, x_1), \alpha_B(b_x b_y b_z, y_1), \alpha_B(b_x b_y b_z, z_1)$$

For  $x\delta(yz)$  we get

$$b_x \alpha_B(b_y b_z, y_1) + b_x \alpha_B(b_y b_z, z_1)$$

and similarly for other summands in  $\Xi(x, y, z)$ . Extracting the terms which only contain  $x_1$  we get

$$\alpha_B(b_x b_y b_z, x_1) - b_y \alpha_B(b_x b_z, x_1) - b_z \alpha_B(b_x b_y, x_1) + b_y b_z \alpha_B(b_x, x_1) = 0$$

For  $b_x = 1$  this gives (3.2.4). On the other hand, if (3.2.4) holds then

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_B(b_x b_y b_z, x_1) &= b_y \alpha_B(b_x b_z, x_1) + b_x b_z \alpha_B(b_y, x_1) - b_x b_y b_z \alpha_B(1, x_1) \\ &= b_y \alpha_B(b_x b_z, x_1) + b_z [b_x \alpha_B(b_y, x_1) - b_x b_z \alpha_B(1, x_1)] \\ &= b_y \alpha_B(b_x b_z, x_1) + b_z [\alpha_B(b_y b_x, x_1) - b_y \alpha_B(b_x, x_1)] \end{aligned}$$

as required.

The calculation for (3.2.5) is similar: for terms involving  $\alpha_B : B \otimes A \rightarrow B$  we get precisely (3.2.4). Comparing the terms involving  $\alpha_C : A \otimes C \rightarrow C$  and  $\alpha_C^t : C \otimes A \rightarrow C$  we get the condition (3.2.4) for  $\alpha_C^t$  plus the equation

$$c_3 \alpha_C(a, c_1 c_2) - c_3 c_2 \alpha_C(a, c_1) = -\alpha_C^t(c_1 c_2 c_3, a) + c_2 \alpha_C^t(c_1 c_3, a)$$

Since  $\alpha_C^t$  is transposed to  $\alpha_C$  this equation can also be reduced to (3.2.4) for  $\alpha_C^t$ .  $\square$

#### 4. PROOFS OF MAIN RESULTS

**4.1. Proof of Theorem 1.1.2: BV differentials.** Once the differential  $\delta$  is defined globally as in Section 3.1 we can check its properties locally using the affine setting of Sections 3.2-3.3. For  $X = \text{Spec}(A)$  we split the deformation over  $\mathbb{C}$ , then choose cocycles  $\alpha_A, \alpha_B, \alpha_C$  as in Section 3.2 interpreting  $\delta$  in terms of the bar construction.

Now by Proposition 2.3.1 (iii) and Lemma 3.2.3 with appropriate choice of  $\alpha_B, \alpha_C$  the Poisson identity holds already in  $T$ , and hence in the Tor algebra as well.

By Proposition 2.3.1 (ii), Lemma 3.1.1 and Lemma 3.2.1 the Jacobi identity will hold on Tor which finishes the proof.

Essentially the same proof works for the BV structure on Ext.  $\square$

**4.2. Gerstenhaber structures.** Let  $X, Y, Z, \alpha_X$  be as in Section 3.1. We do not assume here the existence of  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}$ .

**Theorem 4.2.1.** *The sheaf of graded algebras  $\mathcal{F}or_{\bullet}^{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$  admits a canonical structure of a Gerstenhaber algebra, i.e. a graded symmetric bracket of degree (-1) which satisfies Poisson and Jacobi identities. Similarly, the sheaf  $\mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{O}_X}^{\bullet}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Z)$  has a canonical structure of a Gerstenhaber module, i.e. a bracket  $[\cdot, \cdot]': \mathcal{F}or_i \otimes \mathcal{E}xt^j \rightarrow \mathcal{E}xt^{j-i+1}$  such that*

$$\begin{aligned} [xy, m]' &= x[y, m]' + (-1)^{\deg y \deg x} y[x, m]'; \\ [x, ym]' &= [x, y]m + (-1)^{\deg y \deg x} y[x, m]'; \\ [[x, y], m]' &= [x, [y, m]']' + (-1)^{\deg y \deg x} [y, [x, m]']' \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* By Section 2 on elements of affine open covering  $\{U_i\}$  we can find deformations  $\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i, \mathcal{C}_i$ . Applying Theorem 1.1.2 we get a BV structure on  $\text{Tor}_{\bullet}^{\mathcal{A}_i}(B_i, C_i)$ . By Part 2 of Lemma 3.1.1 the BV differential  $\delta$  on the Tor algebra stays the same if we do not change the cohomology classes of  $\alpha_A \oplus \alpha_B$  and  $\alpha_A \oplus \alpha_C$ . On a double intersection  $U_i \cap U_j = \text{Spec}(A_{ij})$  we can find  $((\beta_A)_{ij}, (\beta_B)_{ij})$  such that

$$(0 \oplus (\alpha_C)_i - (\alpha_C)_j) = d((\beta_A)_{ij} \oplus (\beta_B)_{ij})$$

(which means in particular that  $(\beta_A)_{ij} : A_{ij} \rightarrow A_{ij}$  is a derivation). However, for  $(\alpha_B)_i - (\alpha_B)_j$  we may need a completely different choice of  $(\beta_A)_{ij}$ . Hence adjusting by a coboundary allows to assume that  $(\alpha_C)_i = (\alpha_C)_j$  but not the corresponding equality for  $\alpha_B$ . However, we can assume that  $(\alpha_B)_i - (\alpha_B)_j$  is given by  $(b \otimes a) \mapsto b\mu(a)$  for a certain derivation  $\mu : A_{ij} \rightarrow A_{ij}$ . Thus, the difference of two BV differentials  $\delta_i - \delta_j$  on  $U_i \cap U_j$  is induced by the operator

$$\tilde{\delta}(b \otimes a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_i \otimes c) = b\mu(a_1) \otimes a_2 \otimes \dots \otimes a_i \otimes c$$

But such a  $\tilde{\delta}$  induces the zero bracket on Tor, hence the brackets induced by  $\delta_i$  and  $\delta_j$  agree on  $U_i \cap U_j$ . This means that the Gerstenhaber bracket is independent on the local choice of  $\alpha_B$  and  $\alpha_C$ , which finishes the proof.

For the Gerstenhaber module part the proof we observe that the module bracket can be defined via

$$[x, m]' = \delta'(xm) - \delta(x)m - (-1)^{\deg x} x\delta'(m).$$

Both versions of Poisson identity are equivalent to (3.2.5). The Jacobi identity on the module follows from  $(\delta')^2 = 0$ , once the Poisson identity is established. The remaining part of the proof is the same as for Tor.  $\square$

## 5. EXAMPLES.

The proof of the previous Theorem shows that sometimes the BV structure on Tor or Ext is well-defined globally.

**5.1. Lagrangian intersections.** For Lagrangian submanifolds in a symplectic manifold Behrend and Fantechi in [BF] prove that one can define a canonical BV differential  $\delta'$ . In our situation this would mean that the derivation  $\mu$  of the proof of Theorem 4.2.1 is identically zero, i.e.  $\alpha_B$  and  $\alpha_C^t$  are not chosen independently. It appears that such a coherent choice is induced by a Lagrangian foliation transversal to  $Y$  and  $Z$ .

**5.2. Koszul bracket.** We can also see that if  $\alpha_C$  and  $\alpha_B$  are defined globally then both  $\delta$  and  $\delta'$  are also defined globally. One instance is as follows. Take  $X = Y \times Y$ .

$$\mathcal{T}or_{\bullet}^{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Y) \simeq \Omega_Y^\bullet; \quad \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Y) \simeq \Lambda^\bullet \Omega_Y^\vee$$

Choose and fix a Poisson bivector field  $P \in H^0(Y, \Lambda_Y^2)$ .

**Proposition 5.2.1.** *The induced BV differential  $\delta$  on  $\Omega_{B/k}^\bullet$  is given by the graded commutator  $\delta = Pd_{DR} + d_{DR}P$  of the degree 1 De Rham differential  $d_{DR}$  and degree (-2) contraction with the bivector  $P$ . The BV differential  $\delta'$  on  $\Lambda^\bullet \Omega_{B/k}^\vee$  is given by the Schouten bracket  $[P, \cdot]$ .*

*Proof.* To unload notation we will work in the affine case although all formulas make sense globally. Thus we consider  $A = B \otimes B$  with the quotient map  $m : B \otimes B \rightarrow B$  given by the product. Also, take  $C = B$ . By standard results, e.g. [We], we have a Hochschild cocycle on  $A$ :

$$\alpha_A(x \otimes x', y \otimes y') = \frac{1}{2}P(dx \wedge dy) \otimes x'y' - xy \otimes \frac{1}{2}P(dx' \wedge dy')$$

and the diagonal  $Y_\Delta \subset X = Y \times Y$  is coisotropic with respect to the corresponding Poisson structure. We also have a right deformation of  $B$  induced by

$$\alpha_B(b, x \otimes y) = -\frac{1}{2}P(d(bx) \wedge dy) + \frac{1}{2}P(db \wedge dx)y : B \otimes A \rightarrow B$$

For the second argument of  $\text{Tor}_{\bullet}^A(\cdot, \cdot)$  we use the transposed map  $\alpha_B^t : A \otimes B \rightarrow B$ . Our goal is to compute the induced BV differential on  $\Omega_{B/k}^\bullet$ . To that end, we need explicit quasi-isomorphisms between  $\Omega_{B/k}^\bullet$  and  $T_\bullet$ .

Observe that usually  $\Omega_{B/k}^\bullet$  is identified with the cohomology of  $C_\bullet(A, A) = A^{\otimes(\bullet+1)}$  and the standard Hochschild differential. Our complex  $T_\bullet$  is slightly different although quasi-isomorphic to  $C_\bullet(A, A)$  by the map:

$$b \otimes a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_n \otimes b' \mapsto (b'b) \otimes m(a_1) \otimes \dots \otimes m(a_n)$$

Combining we the Hochschild-Kostant-Rosenberg isomorphism we have a pair of mutually inverse quasi-isomorphisms:

$$b \otimes a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_n \otimes b' \mapsto \frac{1}{n!}b'b \cdot dm(a_1) \wedge \dots \wedge dm(a_n) : T_\bullet \rightarrow \Omega_{B/k}^\bullet$$

and the map

$$b_0 db_1 \mapsto b_0 \otimes (b_1 \otimes 1) \otimes 1 : \Omega_{B/k}^1 \rightarrow T_1$$

extended multiplicatively. For example,  $b_0 db_1 \wedge db_2 \wedge db_3$  maps to the antisymmetrization of

$$b_0 \otimes (b_1 \otimes 1) \otimes (b_2 \otimes 1) \otimes (b_3 \otimes 1) \otimes 1 \in T_3$$

in the three middle terms. The assertion follows from the above definitions of  $\alpha_A$  and  $\alpha_B$  and a straightforward computation.

The case of  $\delta'$  is entirely similar. □

We observe here that the differential  $\delta$  of the above proposition was first constructed from a Poisson bivector  $P$  by Koszul in [Kos]. Also, the differential  $\delta$  (and not just the induced Gerstenhaber bracket) is canonically defined since the two arguments of  $\text{Tor}_{\bullet}^A(B, B)$  are taken with their conjugate deformations. We also remark that the (co)homology of the differentials  $\delta'$  and  $\delta$  in this case are called Poisson cohomology and homology, respectively.

**5.3. Self-intersection of a coisotropic submanifold.** Finally, assume that  $B = C$  and consider  $\mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{O}_X}^*(\mathcal{O}_Y, \mathcal{O}_Y) = \Lambda^*(N_{X/Y})$ . The proof of Theorem 4.2.1 shows that the differential  $\delta'$  is well-defined globally: although  $\alpha_B(b, a)$  exist in general only locally, on double intersections of an affine cover the difference between two choice of  $\alpha_B$  is a coboundary (since  $B = C$ ) hence these two choices give the same  $\delta'$  on cohomology. The subsheaf  $\mathcal{K} \subset \Lambda^*(T_X)$  formed by vector fields which project to zero in  $\Lambda^*(N_{X/Y})$ , is a Lie subalgebra with respect to the Schouten bracket. Then  $\mathcal{K}$  acts on  $\Lambda^*(N_{X/Y})$  since any Lie subalgebra acts on a quotient by itself.

**Proposition 5.3.1.** *The BV differential on  $\Lambda^*(N_{X/Y})$  is given by the action of the Poisson bivector.*

*Proof.* It suffices to prove the statement on an affine open subset. Observe that  $\text{Ext}_A^*(B, B)$  is computed by the subcomplex

$$C^{\bullet-1}(A, \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(B)) \subset C_g^{\bullet}.$$

The differential  $\delta'$  of  $\gamma_B : A^{\otimes(n-1)} \rightarrow \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(B)$  is explicitly given by

$$\delta'(\gamma_B) = [\alpha_A \oplus \alpha_B, 0 \oplus \gamma_B] : A^{\otimes n} \rightarrow \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(B)$$

where  $[\cdot, \cdot]$  is the Lie bracket on  $C_g^n$  introduced in Section 2.2. Now a straightforward calculation finishes the proof.  $\square$

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