

# INVERTIBILITY OF $R_i$

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Exercise 2.1. Write an explicit formula for the differential  $d$  below

$$R_i \otimes R'_i = (0 \rightarrow U_i\{1\}) \xrightarrow{d} A_n \oplus U_i\{-1\} \xrightarrow{d} U_i\{-1\} \rightarrow 0)$$

and check that the complex decomposes into a direct sum

$$(0 \rightarrow U_i\{1\} \xrightarrow{1} U_i\{1\} \rightarrow 0) \oplus (0 \rightarrow A_n \rightarrow 0) \oplus (0 \rightarrow U_i\{-1\} \xrightarrow{1} U_i\{-1\} \rightarrow 0)$$

The first and the last summands are null-homotopic, implying that

$$R_i \otimes R'_i \cong (0 \rightarrow A_n \rightarrow 0) = A_n.$$

*Proof.* Note that  $R_i = (0 \rightarrow U_i\{1\} \xrightarrow{\beta_i} A_n \rightarrow 0)$  and  $R'_i = (0 \rightarrow A_n \xrightarrow{\gamma_i} U_i\{-1\} \rightarrow 0)$  where  $U_i = P_i \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} {}_iP$ ,  $\beta_i$  takes  $x \otimes y \in P_i \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} {}_iP$  to  $xy \in A_n$ , and  $\gamma_i$  takes 1 to  $(i-1|i) \otimes (i|i-1) + (i+1|i) \otimes (i|i+1) + X_i \otimes (i) + (i) \otimes X_i$ . Subsequently, the double complex corresponding to  $R_i \otimes R'_i$  has the form

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & 0 & & 0 & & \\ & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & U_i \otimes U_i & \xrightarrow{\beta_i \otimes 1} & A_n \otimes U_i\{-1\} & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & \uparrow \scriptstyle 1 \otimes \gamma_i & & \uparrow \scriptstyle 1 \otimes \gamma_i & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & U_i\{1\} \otimes A_n & \xrightarrow{\beta_i \otimes 1} & A_n \otimes A_n & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \\ & & 0 & & 0 & & \end{array}$$

Therefore, we get the following total complex

$$R_i \otimes R'_i = 0 \rightarrow U_i\{1\} \otimes A_n \rightarrow A_n \otimes A_n \oplus U_i \otimes U_i \rightarrow A_n \otimes U_i\{-1\} \rightarrow 0$$

Note that

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & U_i\{1\} \otimes A_n & \xrightarrow{\begin{bmatrix} \beta_i \otimes 1 \\ 1 \otimes \gamma_i \end{bmatrix}} & A_n \otimes A_n \oplus U_i \otimes U_i & \xrightarrow{\begin{bmatrix} -1 \otimes \gamma_i & \beta_i \otimes 1 \end{bmatrix}} & A_n \otimes U_i\{-1\} \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow \cong & & \downarrow \cong & & \downarrow \cong \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & U_i\{1\} & \xrightarrow{d_1} & A_n \oplus U_i\{1\} \oplus U_i\{-1\} & \xrightarrow{d_2} & U_i\{-1\} \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

The first vertical isomorphism from the left is followed from the fact that  $U_i\{1\}$  is an  $A_n$ -bimodule. Similar arguments applied to the third vertical isomorphism. The second vertical isomorphism is obtained from Claim 1.7 by using the definition of  $U_i$  and  $A_n$  are tensored over itself.

To see that those isomorphisms are actually chain map, we need to define  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  accordingly. First,  $d_1$  is a composition of maps

$$\begin{aligned} x \otimes y \in U_i\{1\} &\mapsto x \otimes y \otimes 1 \\ &\mapsto \beta_i(x \otimes y) \otimes 1 + x \otimes y \otimes \gamma_i(1) \\ &= xy \otimes 1 \\ &+ x \otimes (i) \otimes ((i-1|i) \otimes (i|i-1) + (i+1|i) \otimes (i|i+1) + X_i \otimes (i) + (i) \otimes X_i)y \\ &\mapsto xy + x \otimes X_i \otimes y + x \otimes (i) \otimes X_iy \\ &\mapsto xy + x \otimes y + x \otimes X_iy \in A_n \oplus U_i\{1\} \oplus U_i\{-1\}, \end{aligned}$$

in other words,  $d_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_i \\ \mathbf{1} \\ x \otimes y \mapsto x \otimes X_i y \end{bmatrix}$ .

Next,  $d_2$  is a composition of maps

$$\begin{aligned} a + x_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} y_1 + x_2 \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} y_2 &\mapsto 1 \otimes_{A_n} a + x_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} X_i \otimes_{A_n} y_1 + x_2 \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} (i) \otimes_{A_n} y_2 \\ &\mapsto 1 \otimes_{A_n} a + x_1 \otimes (i|i-1) \otimes (i-1|i) \otimes y_1 + x_2 \otimes (i) \otimes (i) \otimes y_2 \\ &\mapsto -a \otimes \gamma_i(1) + x_1 X_i \otimes (i) \otimes y_1 + x_2 \otimes (i) \otimes y_2 \\ &\mapsto -a \gamma_i(1) + x_1 X_i \otimes y_1 + x_2 \otimes y_2, \end{aligned}$$

in other words,  $d_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -\gamma_i & x \otimes y \mapsto x X_i \otimes y & \mathbf{1} \end{bmatrix}$ . They are chain map because

$$\begin{aligned} d_2 d_1(x \otimes y) &= \begin{bmatrix} -\gamma_i & x \otimes y \mapsto x X_i \otimes y & \mathbf{1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta_i \\ \mathbf{1} \\ x \otimes y \mapsto x \otimes X_i y \end{bmatrix} (x \otimes y) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -\gamma_i & x \otimes y \mapsto x X_i \otimes y & \mathbf{1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} xy \\ x \otimes y \\ x \otimes X_i y \end{bmatrix} \\ &= -x \gamma_i(1) y + x X_i \otimes y + x \otimes X_i y \\ &= -x((i-1|i) \otimes (i|i-1) + (i+1|i) \otimes (i|i+1) + X_i \otimes (i) + (i) \otimes X_i) y \\ &\quad + x X_i \otimes y + x \otimes X_i y \\ &= 0 \quad \text{by the definition of } x \text{ and } y \end{aligned}$$

After that, we need to check the existence of isomorphism between the chain complexes so that the complex decomposes into a direct sum as described before.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & U_i \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \beta_i \\ \mathbf{1} \\ x \otimes y \mapsto x \otimes X_i y \end{bmatrix} \right\} & \xrightarrow{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}} & A_n \oplus U_i \{1\} \oplus U_i \{ -1 \} & \xrightarrow{\begin{bmatrix} -\gamma_i & x \otimes y \mapsto x X_i \otimes y & \mathbf{1} \end{bmatrix}} & U_i \{ -1 \} \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow \cong & & \downarrow \cong & & \downarrow \cong \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & U_i \{1\} & \xrightarrow{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}} & A_n \oplus U_i \{1\} \oplus U_i \{ -1 \} & \xrightarrow{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}} & U_i \{ -1 \} \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

It can be verified that we can take the first and third map as the identity map  $\mathbf{1}$  and the second map as  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{1} & -\beta_i & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{1} & 0 \\ -\gamma_i & x \otimes y \mapsto x X_i \otimes y & \mathbf{1} \end{bmatrix}$ , so that the two chain complexes are isomorphic to each other.

Finally, since the second map is a direct sum of three chain complexes, namely  $(0 \rightarrow U_i \{1\} \xrightarrow{\mathbf{1}} U_i \{1\} \rightarrow 0)$ ,  $(0 \rightarrow A_n \rightarrow 0)$ , and  $(0 \rightarrow U_i \{-1\} \xrightarrow{\mathbf{1}} U_i \{-1\} \rightarrow 0)$ . But, the first and the last chain complexes are null-homotopic. Consequently,  $R_i \otimes R'_i \cong A_n$ .

QED

**Lemma 0.1** (Gaussian elimination). *Let  $X, Y, Z, W, U, V$  be six objects in an additive category and consider a complex*

$$\cdots \rightarrow U \xrightarrow{u} X \oplus Y \xrightarrow{f} Z \oplus W \xrightarrow{v} V \rightarrow \cdots$$

where  $f = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$  and  $u, v$  are arbitrary morphisms. If  $D : Y \rightarrow W$  is an isomorphism, then the complex above is homotopic to a complex

$$\cdots \rightarrow U \xrightarrow{u} X \xrightarrow{A-BD^{-1}C} Z \xrightarrow{v|_Z} V \rightarrow \cdots$$

*Proof.* The key is the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \cdots & \longrightarrow & U & \xrightarrow{u} & X \oplus Y & \xrightarrow{f} & Z \oplus W \xrightarrow{v} V \longrightarrow \cdots \\ & & \downarrow id & & \downarrow \alpha & & \downarrow \beta \\ \cdots & \longrightarrow & U & \xrightarrow{\alpha u} & X \oplus Y & \xrightarrow{g} & Z \oplus W \xrightarrow{v\beta^{-1}} V \longrightarrow \cdots \end{array}$$

where

$$g = \begin{pmatrix} A - BD^{-1}C & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix} \quad \alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ D^{-1}C & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -BD^{-1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The vertical map of complexes is a homotopy equivalence with

$$\alpha^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -D^{-1}C & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \beta^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & BD^{-1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

It is straightforward to check that the bottom row is homotopic to

$$\cdots \rightarrow U \xrightarrow{u} X \xrightarrow{A-BD^{-1}C} Z \xrightarrow{v|_Z} V \rightarrow \cdots,$$

namely,

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \cdots & \longrightarrow & U & \xrightarrow{\alpha u} & X \oplus Y & \xrightarrow{g} & Z \oplus W \xrightarrow{v\beta^{-1}} V \longrightarrow \cdots \\ & & \downarrow id & & \downarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} & & \downarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \downarrow id \\ \cdots & \longrightarrow & U & \xrightarrow[u]{0} & X & \xrightarrow[A-BD^{-1}C]{s} & Z \xrightarrow[v|_Z]{0} V \longrightarrow \cdots \\ & & \downarrow id & & \downarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} & & \downarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \downarrow id \\ \cdots & \longrightarrow & U & \xrightarrow[\alpha u]{0} & X \oplus Y & \xrightarrow[g]{0} & Z \oplus W \xrightarrow[v\beta^{-1}]{0} V \longrightarrow \cdots \\ & & \downarrow id & & \downarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} & & \downarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \downarrow id \\ \cdots & \longrightarrow & U & \xrightarrow{u} & X & \xrightarrow{A-BD^{-1}C} & Z \xrightarrow{v|_Z} V \longrightarrow \cdots \end{array}$$

where  $s = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -D^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$ . To see this, note that

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - id = s \circ g + \alpha u \circ 0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -D^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A - BD^{-1}C & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - id = 0 \circ (A - BD^{-1}C) + u \circ 0,$$

as desired.

QED

*Second proof of Exercise 2.1.* In the light of lemma 6.1, the complex

$$0 \longrightarrow U_i \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \beta_i \\ \mathbf{1} \end{bmatrix} \right\} \xrightarrow{x \otimes y \mapsto x \otimes X_i y} A_n \oplus U_i \{1\} \oplus U_i \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -\gamma_i \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \xrightarrow{x \otimes y \mapsto x X_i \otimes y \mathbf{1}} U_i \{-1\} \longrightarrow 0$$

is homotopic to

$$0 \rightarrow A_n \rightarrow 0.$$

QED