

Hypercommutative Operad as a Homotopy Quotient of BV

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Abstract: We give an explicit formula for a quasi-isomorphism between the operads **Hycomm** (the homology of the moduli space of stable genus 0 curves) and **BV**/ Δ (the homotopy quotient of Batalin–Vilkovisky operad by the **BV**-operator). In other words we derive an equivalence of **Hycomm**-algebras and **BV**-algebras enhanced with a homotopy that trivializes the **BV**-operator.

These formulas are given in terms of the Givental graphs, and are proved in two different ways. One proof uses the Givental group action, and the other proof goes through a chain of explicit formulas on resolutions of **Hycomm** and **BV**. The second approach gives, in particular, a homological explanation of the Givental group action on **Hycomm**-algebras.

0. Introduction

The main purpose of this paper is to describe a natural equivalence between the category of differential graded Batalin–Vilkovisky algebras enhanced with the trivialization of **BV**-operator and the category of formal Frobenius manifolds without a pairing (also known under the name of hypercommutative algebras). The problem we are discussing has an explicit topological origin. I. e., we are looking for an equivalence of the operad of moduli spaces of stable curves and a homotopy quotient of the framed discs operad by the circle action. Having in mind that both topological operads under consideration are known to be formal we restrict ourselves to the corresponding relationship of the homology operads. We suggest a pure algebraic solution of the problem accompanied with an exact formula for the desired quasi-isomorphism.

Let us first briefly recall the definitions of two categories under consideration using the language of operads. Consider the moduli spaces of stable genus 0 curves $\mathcal{M}_{0,n+1}$, $n = 2, 3, \dots$. A stable genus 0 curve is a nodal curve of arithmetic genus 0 with $(n + 1)$ pairwise distinct marked points in its smooth part, and it has at least three special points (nodes or marked points) on each of the irreducible components. The points are labeled

by the numbers $0, 1, \dots, n$. There is a natural stratification by the topological types of nodal curves. The strata of codimension one can be realized as the images of the gluing morphism $\rho = \rho_i: \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n_1+1} \times \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n_2+1} \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n+1}$, $n = n_1 + n_2 - 1$, $i = 1, \dots, n_1$, where the new nodal curve is obtained by attaching the zero point of a curve in $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n_2+1}$ to the i^{th} point of a curve in $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n_1+1}$. These morphisms define on the spaces $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n+1}$, $n = 2, 3, \dots$, the structure of a topological operad. Therefore, the homology of the spaces $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n+1}$, $n = 2, 3, \dots$, are endowed with the structure of an algebraic operad. This operad is called the *hypercommutative operad* and we denote it by **Hycmm**. We recall an explicit description of the *hypercommutative algebra* in Sect. 3.2. We refer to [24] for details and to [18] for the description of the intersection theory on $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n+1}$. (Note that Manin uses in [24] the notation Com_∞ for the operad of hypercommutative algebras.)

Another important topological operad under consideration is the framed little discs operad. The set of n -ary operations of this operad consists of configurations of the disjoint union of n small discs inside the unit disc, each inner disc has a marked point on the boundary. It is equivalent to mark a point on the boundary of the circle or to fix a rotation of the inner disc which gives an identification of the inner disc with a standard disc of the same radius. The gluing of the outer boundary of the unit disc coming from configuration of n_1 small discs with the boundary of the i^{th} inner disc of the configuration of n_2 small discs defines a configuration of $n_1 + n_2 + 1$ small pointed discs which prescribes the composition rules in the operad. The homology of this operad is known under the name of Batalin-Vilkovisky operad and has a very simple description in terms of generators and relations. Namely, a (differential graded) Batalin-Vilkovisky algebra is a graded commutative associative algebra with two operators, d of degree 1 and Δ of degree -1 , such that d^2 , Δ^2 , and $d\Delta + \Delta d$ are equal to zero, d is a derivation and Δ is a differential operator of the second order with respect to the multiplication.

These two algebraic structures, hypercommutative algebras and Batalin-Vilkovisky algebras are known to be closely related. The hypercommutative algebra structure is the most important ingredient of a formal Frobenius manifold structure. A typical application of a relation between BV-algebras and hypercommutative algebras is that under some conditions like Hodge property or some trivialization of the BV-operator Δ we obtain a Frobenius manifold structure on the cohomology of a BV-algebra; we refer to [2–5, 7, 8, 17, 22] for different aspects and different examples of this kind of correspondence and relations between them. The topological origin of all these statements looks as follows. The homotopy quotient of the framed little discs operad by rotations is weakly equivalent to the operad of moduli spaces of stable genus 0 curves. This statement was mentioned in [23] and written in details in [7]. We are focused on the algebraic counterpart of this statement equipped with precise formulas.

In topology the homotopy quotient functor by the group G is a functor from the category of G -spaces to the category of spaces which is defined as a left adjoint functor to the trivial embedding: any topological space admits a trivial action of the group G . The algebra over the homotopy quotient by G of a given operad \mathcal{P} is an algebra over \mathcal{P} where the action of G is trivialized. We will show the equivalence of these two definitions in the particular case $G = S^1$ and $\mathcal{P} = \text{BV}$.

In general, the condition on trivialization of the BV-operator Δ that one has to use can be formulated in several different ways. First, we require that Δ is homotopically trivial, that is, the full homotopy transfer of Δ on the cohomology of d is equal to zero. Equivalently, we can say that the spectral sequence (if it exists) for (d, Δ) converges on the first page. (See [5] for details of this approach.) We use the different but similar

approach. Consider the bi-complex $V[[z]]$ with differential $d + z\Delta$, where z is a formal parameter of homological degree 2, and consider a particular trivialization (homotopy) for the action of Δ . Namely, we choose a particular automorphism of the space $V[[z]]$ which gives a quasi-isomorphism of complexes with respect to differentials d and $d + z\Delta$. The other possible way to say the same is that $d + z\Delta = \exp(-\phi(z))d \exp(\phi(z))$, where z is a formal variable, and $\phi(z) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \phi_i z^i$ is some series of operators. We consider these extra operators ϕ_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots$, as a part of the algebraic structure we have, and a BV algebra equipped with this extra trivialization data is a representation of the homotopy quotient of the BV operad. We denote this model of the homotopy quotient by BV/Δ .

The main result of this paper is an explicit formula for a quasi-isomorphism $\theta: \text{Hycomm} \rightarrow BV/\Delta$. This result summarizes the relations between hypercommutative algebras and Batalin-Vilkovisky algebras mentioned above. The equivalence of the homotopy categories of Hycomm-algebras and homotopy quotient of BV-algebras was given in [7] on the level of chains.

There are two ways to construct this map:

The first approach goes through a careful analysis of a system of relations between the operads Hycomm, BV/Δ , the operad of Gerstenhaber algebras and the gravity operad. It deals with different precise relationships between homotopy quotients and equivariant (co)homology first discovered by Getzler in [10–12]. **Theorem 4.1** summarizes these relationships in main **Diagram (22)** of quasi-iso relating BV/Δ and Hycomm. We go through **Diagram (22)** specifying the generating cocycles in the cohomology at each step. As a result we get a formula for θ given in terms of summations over three-valent graphs.

The second approach is a generalization of the interpretation of the BCOV theory suggested in [30]. There is an action of the loop group of the general linear group on the representations of Hycomm in a given vector space. It was constructed by Givental and the action of its Lie algebra was studied by Y.-P. Lee, see [15, 20]. We generalize this group action to an action on the space of morphisms from Hycomm to an arbitrary operad. This way we can describe the map θ as an application of a particular Givental group element to a very simple morphism from Hycomm to BV/Δ , the one that preserves the commutative associative product and ignores all the rest. In this case the final formula is given in terms of summations over graphs with arbitrary valencies of vertices.

We state that these two formulas for θ coincide, however, we prefer to omit the direct proof of this statement and use the uniqueness arguments in order to explain the coincidence. The Givental-style formula is simpler for applications and contains already all cancellations, however, the homological approach is of its own interest. In particular, it allows to give an additional point of view on the ψ -classes which we want to use elsewhere. So far, we show how one can get the topological recursion relations using this homological interpretation.

Finally, our result on an explicit quasi-isomorphism formula allows to give a new interpretation for the Givental group action mentioned above. It appears that the action of the Givental group on morphisms of Hycomm corresponds to the ambiguity of a particular choice of a trivialization for Δ in BV/Δ .

0.1. Outline of the paper. We repeat once again that in spite of topological motivation all proofs and all expositions are purely algebraic. All operads involved and algebras over them are defined in pure algebraic terms of generators and relations.

In Sect. 1 we formulate our main result on an explicit formula for the quasi-iso $\theta: \text{Hycomm} \rightarrow \text{BV}/\Delta$. Section 2 deals with the circle action. Namely, the categorical definition of the homotopy quotient by Δ is given in 2.2 and the algebraic counterpart of Chern classes is presented in 2.3.

In Sect. 3 we introduce notations and definitions for all operads involved in the main chain of quasi-isomorphisms between Hycomm and BV/Δ (Diagram (22)). This part is quite technical and is needed mainly to fix the notation.

Section 4 contains the main Diagram (22) of quasi-iso connecting Hycomm and BV/Δ . We play around it in order to get an algebraic description of ψ -classes and a useful dg-model of the BV -operad. In Sect. 5 we go through all these quasi-isomorphisms specifying generating cocycles in the cohomology, and this way we obtain a direct map $\theta: \text{Hycomm} \rightarrow \text{BV}/\Delta$. In Sect. 6 we recall the Givental theory, apply it in order to get a formula for θ from Sect. 1, and then use the existence of such a map in order to give a new interpretation for the Givental theory.

Those readers who are interested more in the results rather than in the proofs may skip the technical Sects. 3 and 5.

1. An Explicit Formula

In this section we give an explicit formula for a map $\text{Hycomm} \rightarrow \text{BV}/\Delta$ that takes Hycomm isomorphically to the cohomology of BV/Δ .

1.1. A Presentation of BV/Δ . The definition of a homotopy quotient given below is more convenient for applications than the standard categorical definition. We discuss the equivalence of these definitions in Sect. 2.2.

The algebras over the homotopy quotient BV/Δ are in one-to-one correspondence with the BV -algebras where Δ acts trivially on homology and moreover one chooses a particular trivialization for this action. I. e. the BV/Δ algebra on a complex (V^\bullet, d) consists of commutative multiplication, differential operator $\Delta: V^\bullet \rightarrow V^\bullet[-1]$ of order at most 2 and an isomorphism of complexes

$$\Phi(z): (V^\bullet[[z]], d + z\Delta) \rightarrow (V^\bullet[[z]], d), \quad (1)$$

where z is a formal parameter of degree 2 and $\Phi(z)$ is a formal power series in z . I. e. $\Phi(z) = \sum_{i \geq 0} \Phi_i z^i$. Φ_i should be linear endomorphisms of the vector space V^\bullet of pure homological degree $-2i$ and $\Phi_0 = Id_V$.

Our formulas below become simpler if we consider exponential coordinates for trivialization. Namely, we represent $\Phi(z)$ as a series $\exp(\phi(z))$, $\phi(z) := \sum_{i \geq 1} \phi_i z^i$, that is,

$$Id_V + \Phi_1 z + \Phi_2 z^2 + \dots = \exp(\phi_1 z + \phi_2 z^2 + \dots).$$

This allows us to describe the operad BV/Δ in the following way.

In order to homotopically resolve the operation Δ in the operad BV we have to add a number of generators ϕ_i , $i \geq 1$, $\deg \phi_i = -2i$, and define a differential d that vanishes on all generators of BV operad and such that Δ itself becomes an exact cocycle, while the rest of the BV -structure survives in the cohomology (and no new cohomology cycles appear). We rewrite the formula $d \exp(\phi(z)) = \exp(\phi(z))(d + z\Delta)$ as

$$\Phi(z)^{-1} d \Phi(z) = \exp(-\phi(z)) d \exp(\phi(z)) = d + z\Delta, \quad (2)$$

and use the expansion of the left hand side of the latter equation in order to define a differential that we denote by $\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$ on the generators ϕ_i as an expression for $[d, \phi_i]$. That is, the formulas

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta &= [d, \phi_1], \\ 0 &= [d, \phi_2] + \frac{1}{2}[[d, \phi_1], \phi_1], \\ 0 &= [d, \phi_3] + [[d, \phi_1], \phi_2] + [[d, \phi_2], \phi_1] + \frac{1}{6}[[[d, \phi_1], \phi_1], \phi_1],\end{aligned}\tag{3}$$

turn into

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}(\phi_1) &= [d, \phi_1] = \Delta \\ \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}(\phi_2) &= [d, \phi_2] = -\frac{1}{2}[\Delta, \phi_1] \\ \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}(\phi_3) &= [d, \phi_3] = -[\Delta, \phi_2] + \frac{1}{3}[[\Delta, \phi_1], \phi_1],\end{aligned}\tag{4}$$

respectively.

We define the operad \mathbf{BV}/Δ to be the operad obtained by adding to \mathbf{BV} the generators ϕ_i , $i \geq 0$, with the differential $\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$ equal to zero on \mathbf{BV} and given by Eqs. (4). We use the notation $\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$ for the differential in order to point out that it decreases the degree in ϕ by 1 and increases the degree in Δ also by 1 so looks like a differential operator $\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$.

1.2. A Formula for quasi-isomorphism. We construct a map $\mathbf{Hycomm} \rightarrow \mathbf{BV}/\Delta$. To the generator $\mathbf{m}_n \in \mathbf{Hycomm}(n)$ given by the fundamental cycle $[\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n+1}]$ we associate an element θ_n of $\mathbf{BV}/\Delta(n)$ represented as a sum over all possible rooted trees with n leaves, where

- at the each vertex with k inputs we put the $(k-1)$ times iterated product in the \mathbf{BV} -algebra. The iterated product $m(x_1, \dots, x_k)$ is defined as $m(x_1, \dots, m(x_{k-2}, m(x_{k-1}, x_k)) \dots)$, where $m(x_1, x_2)$ denotes the usual binary multiplication from $\mathbf{BV}(2)$. Abusing the notation we denote the iterated product by the same letter m .
- Each input/output e of any given vertex in a graph is enhanced by a formal parameter ψ_e . I.e. a vertex with k inputs will be equipped with $k+1$ additional parameters. These parameters will be used to determine the combinatorial coefficient of the graph.
- On each leaf e (an input of the graph) we put the operator $\exp(-\phi(-\psi_e))$, where ψ_e is the defined above formal parameter associated to the corresponding input e of the vertex where the leaf is attached.
- At the root (the output of the graph) we put the operator $\exp(\phi(\psi))$. Again, ψ is a formal parameter associated to the output of the vertex, where the root is attached.
- At the internal edge that serves as the output of a vertex v' and an input of a vertex v'' we put the operator

$$\mathcal{E} := -\frac{\exp(-\phi(-\psi''))\exp(\phi(\psi')) - 1}{\psi'' + \psi'},$$

where ψ' (respectively, ψ'') are attached to the output of v' (respectively, the corresponding input of v'') in the same way as above.

Each graph should be considered as a sum of graphs obtained by expansion of all involved series in ψ 's, and each summand has a combinatorial coefficient equal to the product over all vertices of the integrals

$$\int_{\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,k+1}} \psi_0^{d_0} \psi_1^{d_1} \dots \psi_k^{d_k} := \begin{cases} \frac{(k-2)!}{d_0! d_1! \dots d_k!}, & \text{if } k-2 = d_0 + d_1 + \dots + d_k; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

where the degrees d_0, d_1, \dots, d_k are precisely the degrees of ψ -classes associated to the inputs/output of a vertex.

Note that after expansion of all exponents there are only finitely many monomials in ψ 's that contribute in the total summand for θ_n . Consequently, θ_n is represented by a finite sum of combinations of multiplications and ϕ_i 's. In particular, the total degree of each nonzero term is equal to $2 - 2n$ (recall that $\deg m = 0$ and $\deg \phi_i = -2i$).

Remark 1.1. Here ψ -classes and their integrals over the space $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,k+1}$, as in Eq. (5), should be understood as a formal notation for some combinatorial constants (multinomial coefficients). However, in Sects. 6 and 5.2.1 we clarify the geometric meaning and the origin of this formula.

Example 1.2. Explicit formulas for the θ_2 and θ_3 .

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_2(x_1, x_2) &= m(x_1, x_2), \\ \theta_3(x_1, x_2, x_3) &= \phi_1(m(x_1, x_2, x_3)) + (m(x_1, x_2, \phi_1(x_3)) + m(x_2, x_3, \phi_1(x_1)) \\ &\quad + m(x_3, x_1, \phi_1(x_2))) - (m(x_1, \phi_1(m(x_2, x_3))) \\ &\quad + m(x_2, \phi_1(m(x_1, x_3))) + m(x_3, \phi_1(m(x_1, x_2))))). \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1.3. *Using the Leibniz rule, the map θ defined on generators by $\theta: \mathbf{m}_n \mapsto \theta_n$ extends to a morphism of operads $\theta: \mathbf{Hycomm} \rightarrow \mathbf{BV}/\Delta$. Moreover, θ is a quasi-isomorphism of operads.*

We present two ways to prove this theorem.

The first proof uses computations with equivariant homology. It is presented in Sect. 5. First, we give a sequence of natural quasi-iso connecting \mathbf{Hycomm} and \mathbf{BV}/Δ . Second, a careful diagram chase allows us to obtain a formula for θ , and, in addition, a natural homological explanation of the Givental group action on representations of \mathbf{Hycomm} .

The second proof also consists of two steps. The first step is the same. We observe that the cohomology of \mathbf{BV}/Δ coincides with \mathbf{Hycomm} . Second, we notice that the expression for θ_k does not contain Δ and therefore $\theta_k \notin \text{Im}(\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi})$. Third, using a certain generalization of the Givental theory we show that θ_k are $\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$ -closed. The degree count implies that θ defines a quasi-isomorphism of operads. This proof is explained in detail in Sect. 6.

1.3. Examples. There are natural examples of the \mathbf{BV}/Δ algebras structures on the de Rham complexes of Poisson and Jacobi manifolds. These examples are discussed in detail in [5] from a different perspective.

In the case of a Poisson manifold, we consider its de Rham complex with the de Rham differential d^{dR} and wedge product, and the operator ϕ_1 equal to the contraction with the Poisson structure and $\phi_i = 0$, $i = 2, 3, \dots$. The operator $\Delta = [d^{dR}, \phi_1]$

is a BV-operator, thus we have a natural structure of a BV/ Δ algebra. In the case of Jacobi manifold the BV/ Δ structure exists on the space of basic differential forms, the construction is very similar, and we refer to [5] for details.

In both cases, the explicit formulas for θ_k , $k = 2, 3, \dots$, gives a structure of the Hycomm algebra on the cohomology in these examples. In fact, with these formulas it is easy to see that in these cases the structure of a Hycomm-algebra gives rise to a full structure of a Frobenius manifold, that is, we also have a scalar product and homogeneity with all the necessary properties.

In [5] the structure of a Hycomm algebra is obtained in a different way, using a general result of Drummond-Cole and Vallette in [8] on a homotopy Frobenius structure on the cohomology of a BV-algebra, where the homotopy transfer of the BV operator Δ vanishes. In fact this result in [8] is completely parallel to ours, as it is shown in [5], though an exact match of the formulas will require more work.

2. Circle Action

In this section we compare our definition of a homotopy quotient with a categorical one and show how this affects the Chern classes.

2.1. Homotopy quotient in topology. Consider a topological space X with a chosen action of the group S^1 . If the action of S^1 is not free then the quotient space X/S^1 is not well defined. Therefore in order to define the quotient one has to replace the space X by a homotopy equivalent space $X \times ES^1$ with the free action of S^1 . Recall that ES^1 is a contractible space with the free S^1 -action. The corresponding bundle $ES^1 \xrightarrow{S^1} BS^1$ is called the universal S^1 -bundle and its base BS^1 is called classifying space and known to coincide with \mathbb{CP}^∞ . The homotopy quotient “ X/S^1 ” is defined as a factor $\frac{X \times ES^1}{S^1}$.

There is another categorical definition which we find useful to recall. Denote by $S^1\mathcal{Top}$ (resp. \mathcal{Top}) the homotopy categories of topological spaces with (and without) action of S^1 . There is a natural exact functor $Triv^{S^1} : \mathcal{Top} \rightarrow S^1\mathcal{Top}$ which assigns a trivial action of S^1 on any topological space. The left adjoint functor to the functor $Triv^{S^1}$ is called the homotopy quotient by S^1 :

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{Top}}(X/S^1, Y) \simeq \mathrm{Hom}_{S^1\mathcal{Top}}(X, Triv^{S^1}(Y)).$$

In particular, if X is isomorphic to the direct product $Z \times S^1$ the homotopy quotient X/S^1 is isomorphic to Z .

2.2. Homotopy quotient for algebraic operads. Replace the category \mathcal{Top} by the category $dg\mathcal{Op}$ of differential graded operads. The cohomology ring of the circle is the Grassman algebra $\mathbb{k}[\Delta]$ with one odd generator of degree -1 such that $\Delta^2 = 0$. The category $\Delta dg\mathcal{Op}$ of dg-operads with a chosen embedding of the Grassman algebra $\mathbb{k}[\Delta]$ replaces the category of $S^1\mathcal{Top}$ of topological spaces with a circle action. An object of the category $\Delta dg\mathcal{Op}$ is a dg-operad with a chosen unary operation of degree -1 , such that its square is equal to zero. Any dg-operad \mathcal{Q} admits a trivial map $\mathbb{k}[\Delta] \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}$ with $\Delta \mapsto 0$. This defines a functor $Triv^\Delta : dg\mathcal{Op} \rightarrow \Delta dg\mathcal{Op}$.

Definition 2.1. *The homotopy quotient by Δ is the left adjoint functor to the enrichment by trivial embedding of Grassman algebra: I. e. it is a functor $()/\Delta : \Delta \text{dgOp} \rightarrow \text{dgOp}$ such that for any pair of operads \mathcal{P}, \mathcal{Q} there exists a natural equivalence*

$$\text{Hom}_{\text{dgOp}}(\mathcal{P}/\Delta, \mathcal{Q}) \simeq \text{Hom}_{\Delta \text{dgOp}}(\mathcal{P}, \text{Triv}^\Delta(\mathcal{Q}))$$

which is functorial in \mathcal{P} and in \mathcal{Q} .

In Sect. 1.1 we have already chosen a particular model of the homotopy quotient by Δ . Let us show that this model indeed satisfies the adjunction property required by Definition 2.1. First, let us repeat the construction from Sect. 1.1 in a general setting.

Any given operad \mathcal{Q} with a chosen unary operation $\Delta \in \mathcal{Q}(1)$ (such that $\Delta^2 = 0$) may be extended by a collection of unary operations ϕ_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots$, of homological degree $\deg \phi_i = -2i$, and the differential prescribed by Eq. (2). We recall that the generating series in z of the sequence of identities on the commutators $[d, \phi_i]$ defines a differential:

$$\exp(-\phi_1 z^1 - \phi_2 z^2 - \dots) d \exp(\phi_1 z^1 + \phi_2 z^2 + \dots) = d + z \Delta.$$

Note that the differential decreases the degree in ϕ_i 's by 1 and increases the degree in Δ by 1. We want to keep this property in the notation for the differential; therefore, we denote it by $\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$ and this notation should be understood just as a single symbol.

Proposition 2.2. *The functor that sends an operad \mathcal{Q} with a chosen squared zero unary operation Δ to the dg-operad $(\mathcal{Q} \star \mathbb{k}\langle \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots \rangle, \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi})$ gives a particular model of the homotopy quotient \mathcal{Q}/Δ . I. e. the twisted free product with ϕ 's is the left adjoint functor to the trivial action of $\mathbb{k}[\Delta]$.*

Proof. Recall that $\mathbb{k}[\Delta]$ is a skew commutative algebra with one odd generator Δ , where the skew-commutativity implies the relation $\Delta^2 = 0$. This algebra is Koszul and its Koszul dual is the free algebra $\mathbb{k}[\delta]$ with one even generator of degree 2. The free product of the Grassman algebra $\mathbb{k}[\Delta]$ and the free algebra F generated by the augmentation ideal of the Koszul dual coalgebra together with the Koszul differential is acyclic. We state that ϕ_i 's is just a one possible way to find generators in the free algebra generated by the augmentation ideal of $\mathbb{k}[\delta]$ and the differential $\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$ is the corresponding description of the Koszul differential.

Therefore, the free product $\mathbb{k}[\Delta] \star \mathbb{k}\langle \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots \rangle$ is a factor of the free associative algebra generated by Δ and ϕ_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots$ by the unique relation $\Delta^2 = 0$. This algebra is acyclic with respect to the differential $\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$, admits the natural splitting:

$$\mathbb{k} \xrightarrow{1 \mapsto 1} \left(\mathbb{k}\langle \Delta, \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots \rangle / (\Delta^2), \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right) \xrightarrow{\Delta, \phi_i \mapsto 0} \mathbb{k} \quad (6)$$

and satisfies the following universal categorical property: For any dg-algebra (A, d_A) with a chosen dg-subalgebra $(\mathbb{k}[\Delta_A], 0)$ there exists a map of dg-algebras $\varphi_A : (\mathbb{k}[\Delta] \star \mathbb{k}\langle \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots \rangle, \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}) \rightarrow (A, d_A)$ that sends $\Delta \mapsto \Delta_A$ and is functorial with respect to A . One should think about the dg-algebra $(\mathbb{k}[\Delta] \star \mathbb{k}\langle \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots \rangle, \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi})$ as a noncommutative algebraic replacement of the universal bundle ES^1 .

We will come back to the connection with the universal bundle in the next Sect. 2.3. \square

For any given dg-operad $(\mathcal{P}, d_{\mathcal{P}})$ we define the quasi-isomorphic inclusion of dg-operads,

$$\varepsilon_{\mathcal{P}} : (\mathcal{P}, d_{\mathcal{P}}) \rightarrow \left(\mathcal{P} \star \mathbb{k}[\Delta] \star \mathbb{k}\langle \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots \rangle, d_{\mathcal{P}} + \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right) \quad (7)$$

that sends \mathcal{P} to \mathcal{P} ; and with any dg-operad $(\mathcal{Q}, d_{\mathcal{Q}})$ with a chosen unary operation $\Delta_{\mathcal{Q}} \in \mathcal{Q}(1)$ we associate the projection of S^1 dg-operads,

$$\eta_{\mathcal{Q}} : \left(\mathcal{Q} \star \mathbb{k}\langle \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots \rangle \star \mathbb{k}[\Delta], d_{\mathcal{Q}} + (\Delta - \Delta_{\mathcal{Q}}) \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right) \rightarrow (\mathcal{Q}, d_{\mathcal{Q}}) \quad (8)$$

that sends identically \mathcal{Q} to \mathcal{Q} , $\Delta \mapsto \Delta_{\mathcal{Q}}$ and ϕ_i maps to 0 for all i .

Lemma 2.3. *The morphisms $\varepsilon_{\mathcal{P}}$ and $\eta_{\mathcal{Q}}$ are quasi-isomorphisms for all \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{Q} .*

Proof. The proof follows from the acyclicity of the dg-algebra $(\mathbb{k}[\Delta] \star \mathbb{k}\langle \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots \rangle, \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi})$. \square

Let us also give one more explanation on why we call the data ϕ_i 's by a choice of trivialization of the action of S^1 . The action of S^1 on a topological space X is encoded in the fibration $X \times ES^1 \xrightarrow{S^1} B$. The trivialization of the S^1 action is the isomorphism of this fibration and the trivial one. I.e. is given via isomorphism Φ of the base B and the product $X \times BS^1$. The algebraic counterpart of this isomorphism looks as follows:

$$\Phi : \text{Tor}_{\bullet}^{\mathbb{k}[\Delta]}(V^{\bullet}, \mathbb{k}) \xrightarrow{\cong} V^{\bullet} \otimes \text{Tor}_{\bullet}^{\mathbb{k}[\Delta]}(\mathbb{k}, \mathbb{k}),$$

where $V^{\bullet} = C^{\bullet}(X)$. The trivial module \mathbb{k} admits a Koszul resolution

$$(\mathbb{k}[\Delta] \otimes \mathbb{k}[z], z \frac{\partial}{\partial \Delta}) \rightarrow \mathbb{k},$$

and we end up with the following isomorphism of complexes:

$$\Phi = \Phi(z) : (V^{\bullet}[z], d + z\Delta) \rightarrow (V^{\bullet}[z], d)$$

that is called the trivialization of the action of Δ (the trivialization of S^1 -action).

2.3. Chern character. Suppose that \mathcal{Q} is a topological operad with a chosen embedding $S^1 \hookrightarrow \mathcal{Q}(1)$. Note that the latter embedding gives, in particular, the action of $(n+1)$ copies of S^1 on the space of n -ary operations $\mathcal{Q}(n)$ via the substitution on inputs/output of operations. It is possible to take a homotopy quotient with respect to the action on each particular input/output on the space of n -ary operations of \mathcal{Q} . We denote by $\mathcal{Q}/(\circ_i \Delta)$ the quotient with respect to the action of S^1 on the i^{th} slot. Moreover, the S^1 -action on each particular input produces a canonical S^1 -fibration on the space of n -ary operations of the entire quotient \mathcal{Q}/Δ . It is simpler to describe the algebraic counterpart of this fibration in order to define the first Chern class of this fibration which gives a canonical operation on a factor. This description will be used later on to give another algebraic description of the ψ -classes in the moduli spaces of curves.

We hope that the reader will not be confused about no difference in the notations of the topological operad and the corresponding algebraic operad of its singular chains.

From now on \mathcal{Q} means an algebraic operad with a chosen unary odd operation Δ with $\Delta^2 = 0$. Let $(\mathcal{Q}/\Delta)_{\epsilon_i}$ be the subset of n -ary operations in \mathcal{Q}/Δ , where we take the augmentation map

$$\epsilon : \mathbb{k}\langle\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots\rangle \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{k}$$

with respect to the i^{th} input of operations. I. e. we consider only those elements of \mathcal{Q}/Δ which do not contain any nonconstant element from the algebra $\mathbb{k}\langle\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots\rangle$. The natural inclusion of complexes $(\mathcal{Q}/\Delta)_{\epsilon_i}(n) \rightarrow (\mathcal{Q}/\Delta)(n)$ gives the algebraic model of the S^1 -fibration described above.

Let $\frac{\partial}{\partial\phi_1}$ be the derivation of the algebra $\mathbb{k}\langle\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots\rangle$ that sends the generator ϕ_1 to 1 and all other generators ϕ_i for $i \geq 2$ to zero. Let $\circ_i \frac{\partial}{\partial\phi_1}$ be the derivation of the set of n -ary operations $\mathcal{Q}/\Delta(n)$ obtained by applying the derivation $\frac{\partial}{\partial\phi_1}$ in the i^{th} slot of the operation.

Proposition 2.4. *The derivation $\circ_i \frac{\partial}{\partial\phi_1}$ of the complex of n -ary operations $\mathcal{Q}/\Delta(n)$ represents the evaluation of the first Chern class of the S^1 -fibration over \mathcal{Q}/Δ associated to the S^1 action in the i th slot.*

Proof. The Chern class is defined as a generator of the cohomology of the Eilenberg-Maclean space BS^1 (the base of the universal bundle). In order to switch to algebra we have to reformulate the required categorical properties of the universal bundle in algebraic terms. First, let us formulate the desired property in the category of commutative dg-algebras since the homology functor is the map from topological spaces to commutative algebras. The commutative dg-algebra $(\mathbb{k}[\Delta, u], \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial u})$ is an acyclic dg-algebra that satisfies the universal property: for any commutative dg-algebra (A, d_A) with a chosen dg-subalgebra $(\mathbb{k}[\Delta], 0)$ there exists a map of dg-algebras $\varphi_A : (\mathbb{k}[\Delta, u], \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial u}) \rightarrow (A, d_A)$ that sends $\Delta \mapsto \Delta$ and is functorial with respect to A . The generator u is the multiplicative generator of $H^*(BS^1; \mathbb{k})$ and the derivation $\frac{\partial}{\partial u}$ coincides with the evaluation of the first Chern class of the circle bundle. Second, we notice that the dg-algebra $(\mathbb{k}[\Delta] \star \mathbb{k}\langle\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots\rangle, \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial\phi})$ is an acyclic dg-algebra satisfying the same universal property, but in the category of noncommutative algebras. Now the generator ϕ_i corresponds to the additive generators of $H^{2i}(BS^1; \mathbb{k})$. There exists a natural quasi-iso projection between these two algebras:

$$ab : \left(\mathbb{k}\langle\Delta, \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots\rangle / (\Delta^2 = 0), \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial\phi} \right) \twoheadrightarrow (\mathbb{k}[\Delta, u], \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial u}), \quad (9)$$

that sends Δ to Δ , ϕ_1 to u and all other ϕ_i , for $i \geq 2$ to 0. Moreover, the derivation $\frac{\partial}{\partial\phi_1}$ of the left hand side of (9) commutes with the differential and is mapped to the derivation $\frac{\partial}{\partial u}$ on the right and, therefore, coincides (on the homology level) with the evaluation of the first Chern class. \square

3. Operads Involved: Definition and Notation

In this section we recall the definitions of algebraic operads that correspond to the topological operads of open and closed moduli spaces of curves of zero genus. We follow the papers of Getzler [10, 12]. Since we want to work with precise formulas, we specify algebraic generators and relations in these operads.

We also give definitions of the operads involved in Sect. 5 in the main commutative diagram (22) used to derive the equivalence of **Hycomm** and \mathbf{BV}/Δ .

We use the notation \circ_l for the operadic compositions in the l^{th} slot. I. e. for an operad \mathcal{P} and a pair of finite sets I, J the composition $\circ_l : \mathcal{P}(I \sqcup \{l\}) \otimes \mathcal{P}(J) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(I \sqcup J)$ is a substitution of operations from $\mathcal{P}(J)$ into the slot l of operations from $\mathcal{P}(I \sqcup \{l\})$. The corresponding cocomposition map $\mathcal{P}^\vee(I \sqcup J) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}^\vee(I \sqcup \{l\}) \otimes \mathcal{P}^\vee(J)$ for the dual cooperad \mathcal{P}^\vee will be denoted by μ_l or just by μ if the precise index becomes clear from the context.

There are two standard ways to think of elements of an operad/cooperad in terms of its (co)generators. The first way is in terms of tree monomials represented by planar trees and the second one is in terms of compositions/cocompositions of operations presented by formulas with brackets. Our approach is somewhere in the middle: in most cases, we prefer (and strongly encourage the reader) to think of tree monomials, but to write formulas required for definitions and proofs in the language of operations since it makes things more compact. While using the language of operations/cooperations we always suppose that the (co)operation that is attached to the root vertex is written in the leftmost term.

3.1. BV and framed little discs operad. The space of configurations of the small little discs without intersections inside the unit disc form one of the most well known topological operads. The boundary of the unit disc is considered as an output and the boundaries of the inner small discs are considered as inputs. This means that the composition rules are defined by gluing the boundary of the inner disc of the outgoing operation with the outer boundary of the incoming operation. Following May [26] we use the name E_d for this operad where d is a dimension of the disc. We restrict ourself to the case $d = 2$. It is also known that operad E_2 is formal over \mathbb{Q} (see e.g. [19, 31]) and its homology operad coincides with the operad of Gerstenhaber algebras.

Recall, that the operad **Gerst** of Gerstenhaber algebras is a quadratic operad generated by two binary operations: the commutative associative multiplication and the Lie bracket of degree -1 . The quadratic operadic relations consist of: the associativity of multiplication, Jacobi identity for the bracket and the Leibniz identity for their composition:

$$[a \cdot b, c] = \pm[a, c] \cdot b \pm a \cdot [b, c].$$

Moreover, the space of n -ary operations $\mathbf{Gerst}(n)$ form a coalgebra, such that the composition maps are compatible with comultiplications in these coalgebras. We will come back later to this description of the Gerstenhaber operad in Sect. 3.4.

Let us mark a point on the boundary circle of each inner disk in a configuration from $E_2(n)$. This leads to a description of the space of n -ary operations of the operad of framed little discs which we denote by FE_2 . The composition rules in FE_2 are also defined by gluing the boundary of the inner disc of the outgoing operation with the outer boundary of the incoming operation, but now the marked point of the inner circle should be glued with the north pole of the outer circle. I. e. one has to rotate the incoming configuration with respect to the angle prescribed by the marked point in the inner circle of the outgoing configuration. This operad is also known to be formal ([14, 29]) and the homology operad coincides with the operad of Batalin-Vilkovisky algebras (shortly denoted by **BV**).

The operad **BV** is generated by the binary commutative associative multiplication and a unary operation Δ of degree -1 such that $\Delta^2 = 0$ and Δ is a differential operator

of the second order with respect to the multiplication. The latter statement is equivalent to the following so-called 7-term relation:

$$\Delta(abc) - (\Delta(ab)c + \Delta(bc)a + \Delta(ca)b) + (\Delta(a)bc + \Delta(b)ca + \Delta(c)ab) = 0.$$

We omit the precise signs that come from the Koszul sign rule in the \mathbb{Z} -graded settings.

Note that the topological description of the operad of framed little discs is presented as a semi-direct product (or semi-direct composition) of the little discs operad E_2 and the group of rotations S^1 . The topological definition of the semi-direct composition of a group and an operad is given in [28]. In our case, the group is S^1 , and the algebraic counterpart consists of the semi-direct product of the Gerstenhaber operad with a free skew-commutative algebra $\mathbb{k}[\Delta]$ generated by a unique generator Δ of degree -1 . This leads to the following equality of operads:

$$\mathbf{BV} = \mathbf{Gerst} \ltimes \mathbb{k}[\Delta].$$

Here the semi-direct product $\mathbf{Gerst} \ltimes \mathbb{k}[\Delta]$ means the operad generated by the binary commutative multiplication, Lie bracket and unary operation Δ subject to relations for multiplication and bracket as in \mathbf{Gerst} , $\Delta^2 = 0$ as in the skew-commutative algebra $\mathbb{k}[\Delta]$ and the following commutation relation between Δ and generators of \mathbf{Gerst} :

$$\{\Delta, \text{multiplication}\} = \text{Lie bracket}, \quad \{\Delta, \text{Lie bracket}\} = 0.$$

The patterned brackets denote the operadic commutator. In particular, the operadic commutator of a unary operation Δ and an n -ary operation $\alpha(\dots)$ mean the following expression with $n + 1$ terms:

$$\{\Delta, \alpha(\dots)\} := \Delta \circ \alpha(\dots) - \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha(\dots) \circ_i \Delta.$$

We will come back later to the precise description of the spaces of n -ary operations of $\mathbf{Gerst}(n)$ and $\mathbf{BV}(n)$ in Sects. 3.4 and 3.7 respectively.

3.2. Closed moduli spaces of zero genus. The union of spaces of compactified moduli spaces of curves of zero genus form an operad. This operad is formal. Its homology is called **Hycomm** (the operad of hypercommutative algebras).

The algebraic description of the operad **Hycomm** looks as follows. The operad **Hycomm** has one generator in each arity greater or equal to 2. The generator \mathbf{m}_k of arity k is of degree $(4 - 2k)$ and is given by the fundamental cycle $\mathbf{m}_k := [\mathcal{M}_{0,k+1}]$. The generators satisfy the following quadratic relations (here a, b, c, x_1, \dots, x_n , $n \geq 0$, are elements of a **Hycomm**-algebra):

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{S_1 \sqcup S_2 = \{1, \dots, n\}} \pm \mathbf{m}_{|S_2|+2}(\mathbf{m}_{|S_1|+2}(a, b, x_{S_1}), c, x_{S_2}) \\ &= \sum_{S_1 \sqcup S_2 = \{1, \dots, n\}} \pm \mathbf{m}_{|S_2|+2}(a, \mathbf{m}_{|S_1|+2}(b, c, x_{S_1}), x_{S_2}). \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Here, for a finite set $S = \{s_1, \dots, s_k\}$, x_S denotes for x_{s_1}, \dots, x_{s_k} , and \pm means the Koszul sign rule. Let us define a family of binary operations $m_x(\cdot, \cdot)$ on V parametrized by the same space V :

$$\forall x \in V \text{ let } m_x(a, b) := \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{1}{n!} m_{n+2}(a, b, x, \dots, x).$$

Then Eq. (10) is equivalent to the associativity of the multiplication $m_x(\cdot, \cdot)$ for all $x \in V$. This observation explains the relation between hypercommutative algebras and Frobenius manifolds.

The first Chern class of the tangent bundle at the i th marked point on $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n+1}$ is usually denoted by ψ_i . Let $m_n^{d_0 d_1 \dots d_n}$ be the cycle corresponding to the evaluation of the product of ψ -classes of corresponding degrees on the fundamental cycle of the space of curves:

$$m_n^{d_0 d_1 \dots d_n} := \psi_0^{d_0} \psi_1^{d_1} \dots \psi_n^{d_n} [\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n+1}].$$

These classes satisfy the so-called *Topological Recursion Relations* that are quadratic linear relations in the operadic sense:

$$\begin{aligned} m^{(d_0+1)d_1 \dots d_n} + m^{d_0 \dots d_{i-1}(d_i+1)d_{i+1} \dots d_n} &= \sum_{\substack{S_1 \sqcup S_2 \sqcup \{0,i\} \\ = \{0, \dots, n\}}} m^{d_0 d_{S_1} 0} \circ_{|S_1|+1} m^{0 d_i d_{S_2}} \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq n; \\ m^{(d_0+1)d_1 \dots d_n} &= \sum_{\substack{S_1 \sqcup S_2 \sqcup \{0,i,j\} \\ = \{0, \dots, n\}}} m^{d_0 d_{S_1} 0} \circ_{|S_1|+1} m^{0 d_i d_j d_{S_2}} \quad \forall 1 \leq i, j \leq n. \end{aligned}$$

Here we denote by d_S , $S = \{s_1, \dots, s_k\}$, the sequence $d_{s_1} \dots d_{s_k}$. We will come back later to TRR equations in Sect. 5.2.1. For more details see [24].

3.3. Open moduli spaces of zero genus. The shifted homology of the union of spaces of open moduli spaces of curves of zero genus also form a formal operad. The corresponding algebraic operad is called **Grav** (the operad of gravity algebras). It was studied by Getzler in [12], in particular, he proved that **Grav** and **Hycomm** are Koszul dual to each other.

An algebra over **Grav** is a chain complex with graded anti-symmetric products

$$\bar{m}_n[x_1, \dots, x_n]: A^{\otimes n} \rightarrow A \quad (11)$$

of degree $2 - n$ that satisfy the relations:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \pm \bar{m}_{k+l-1}[\bar{m}_2[a_i, a_j], a_1, \dots, \widehat{a_i}, \dots, \widehat{a_j}, \dots, a_k, b_1, \dots, b_l] \\ = \begin{cases} \bar{m}_{l+1}[\bar{m}_k[a_1, \dots, a_k], b_1, \dots, b_l], & l > 0, \\ 0, & l = 0, \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

for all $k > 2$, $l \geq 0$, and $a_1, \dots, a_k, b_1, \dots, b_l \in A$. For example, in the case of $k = 3$ and $l = 0$, we obtain the Jacobi relation for $\bar{m}_2[\cdot, \cdot]$.

Once again, Getzler proved in [12] that **Hycomm** and **Grav** are Koszul dual operads. Moreover for all $n \geq 2$ the generators $m_n \in \text{Hycomm}(n)$ and $\bar{m}_n \in \text{Grav}(n)$ are

Koszul dual generators in these operads.¹ In particular, the associativity relation for the commutative multiplication $\mathfrak{m}_2 \in \mathbf{Hycomm}(2)$ is a relation Koszul dual to the Jacobi relation for the Lie bracket $\mathfrak{m}_2 \in \mathbf{Grav}(2)$.

Let us also mention another result due to Getzler which hints the desired connection between \mathbf{Hycomm} and \mathbf{BV} . The space of cotangent lines at the i th marked point of curves from $\mathcal{M}_{0,n+1}$ forms a line bundle over the open moduli space $\mathcal{M}_{0,n+1}$. Consider the product of corresponding $(n+1)$ principal $U(1)$ -bundles over $\mathcal{M}_{0,n+1}$, where the factors are numbered by the marked points.

Statement 3.1 ([10]). *The homology of the total space of the $(S^1)^{\times(n+1)}$ -bundle over $\mathcal{M}_{0,n+1}$ (associated with the product of cotangent lines at the marked points of a curve) coincides with the space of n -ary operations in the operad \mathbf{BV} .*

We give the algebraic counterpart of this statement in the next section.

3.4. Gerstenhaber and gravity operads. Getzler observed that the S^1 -equivariant homology of the Gerstenhaber operad is isomorphic to the gravity operad. This statement has very clear geometric background, see [10], since the Gerstenhaber operad is the homology of the little disk operad. We recall the algebraic counterpart of this isomorphism.

It is easier to compute the cohomology rather than homology of the space of little disks (it was done by Arnold in [1]). This way we obtain a description of the cooperad dual to the Gerstenhaber operad. The space of n -ary cooperations of the cooperad \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee form a so-called Orlik-Solomon algebra:

$$\mathbf{Gerst}^\vee(n) := \frac{\mathbb{K} \left[\{w_{ij}\}_{1 \leq i, j \leq n, i \neq j} \right]}{(w_{ij} - w_{ji}, w_{ij}w_{jk} + w_{jk}w_{ki} + w_{ki}w_{ij})}.$$

Here we mean that $\mathbf{Gerst}^\vee(n)$ is a quotient modulo an ideal of the free graded commutative algebra generated by w_{ij} , $\deg w_{ij} = 1$.

The cooperad structure satisfies the Leibniz rule with respect to the product structure in the algebra $\mathbf{Gerst}^\vee(n)$, $n \geq 2$. Therefore, it is enough to define the cooperad structure $\mu : \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee(I \sqcup J) \rightarrow \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee(I \sqcup \{*\}) \otimes \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee(J)$ on the generators w_{ij} . By definition,

$$\mu(w_{ij}) = \begin{cases} w_{ij} \otimes 1, & \text{if } i, j \in I; \\ w_{i*} \otimes 1, & \text{if } i \in I, j \in J; \\ 1 \otimes w_{ij}, & \text{if } i, j \in J. \end{cases} \quad (13)$$

There is an action of the circle S^1 on the little discs operad via the rotation of the outer circle. The corresponding coaction of the generator Δ of the first cohomology of the circle S^1 on the space $\mathbf{Gerst}^\vee(n)$ is given by the following operator:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial w} := \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \frac{\partial}{\partial w_{ij}}. \quad (14)$$

The action of the operator $\frac{\partial}{\partial w}$ on \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee is dual to the action of the operator Δ on \mathbf{Gerst} .

¹ We are cheating a bit here because Koszul duality gives the duality between generators and cogenerators. But there is no reason to separate generators and cogenerators in our particular situation because the corresponding subspaces of homological degrees $2n-4$ and $n-2$ in $\mathbf{Hycomm}(n)$ and $\mathbf{Grav}(n)$ respectively are one-dimensional.

Statement 3.2 ([10]). *The action of the operator Δ is free on the Gerstenhaber operad Gerst . The image of Δ coincides with its kernel and is isomorphic to the gravity operad.*

Let us define a homotopy model for the gravity operad. We use standard manipulations with equivariant homology. We consider the free polynomial algebra $\mathbb{k}[\delta]$, δ is even, as the Koszul dual of the algebra $\mathbb{k}[\Delta]$.

Definition 3.3. *By $\mathbb{k}[\delta] \otimes \text{Gerst}$ we denote a dg-operad with $(\mathbb{k}[\delta] \otimes \text{Gerst})(n) := \mathbb{k}[\delta] \otimes (\text{Gerst}(n))$ for $n \geq 2$ and $(\mathbb{k}[\delta] \otimes \text{Gerst})(1) := \text{Gerst}(1) = \mathbb{k}$. The composition is defined by*

$$(\delta^a \otimes \alpha) \circ (\delta^b \otimes \beta) := \delta^{a+b} \alpha \circ \beta \quad \text{for } \alpha, \beta \in \text{Gerst}(n). \quad (15)$$

The BV-operator defines the differential $\delta\Delta: \delta^a \alpha \mapsto \delta^{a+1} \Delta(\alpha)$ on this operad.

Let us rephrase Statement 3.2 in the language of cooperads. We use the notation u for the even variable linear dual to δ and $\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes \text{Gerst}^\vee(n)$ for the space linear dual to $\mathbb{k}[\delta] \otimes \text{Gerst}(n)$ for all $n \geq 2$.

Lemma 3.4. *The augmentation map of dg cooperads*

$$\varepsilon : (\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes \text{Gerst}^\vee, \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w}) \twoheadrightarrow (\text{Grav}^\vee, 0) \quad (16)$$

that maps $u \mapsto 0$ and $\text{Gerst}^\vee \twoheadrightarrow \text{Gerst}^\vee / (\text{Im } \frac{\partial}{\partial w}) = \text{Grav}^\vee$ is a quasi-isomorphism.

In particular, the map ε maps any basic element $w_{ij} \in \text{Gerst}^\vee(n)$ to the unique n -ary cogenerator \tilde{m}_n of the gravity cooperad. The precise homological grading is discussed in the next section.

3.5. Bar complexes. In this section we recall the general definition of cobar complex and the precise formulation of Koszul self-duality for the operad Gerst and Koszul resolution of Hycomm via a cobar complex of Grav .

Consider a cooperad \mathcal{P}^\vee with a cocomposition $\mu : \mathcal{P}^\vee \rightarrow \mathcal{P}^\vee \circ \mathcal{P}^\vee$. Let \mathcal{P}_+^\vee be the augmentation ideal. In all our examples $\mathcal{P}^\vee(1) = \mathbb{k}$ and the augmentation ideal \mathcal{P}_+^\vee is equal to $\bigoplus_{n \geq 2} \mathcal{P}^\vee(n)$. The cobar complex $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{P}^\vee)$ is a free dg-operad generated by the shifted space $\mathcal{P}_+^\vee[-1]$. The cocomposition μ defines a differential of degree 1 on generators. Using the Leibniz rule we extend it to the whole cobar complex $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{P}^\vee)$.

In [13] it is proved that the operad Gerst is Koszul self-dual up to an appropriate even shift of homological degree. Pure algebraic proof of that fact was first given in [25]. Let us specify the desired homological shift. Note that Getzler defined two different types of grading on Grav in [10, 12]. They differ by the even shift s^2 on the Gerstenhaber operad that we define now. By $s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee$ we denote a quadratic cooperad whose n^{th} space is given by $s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee(n) = \text{Gerst}^\vee(n)[2n - 2]$. In other words, we can define $s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee$ as a quotient of a free cooperad generated by binary operations modulo an ideal exactly in the same way as Gerst^\vee , but we shift by 2 the homological degree of the binary generators.

The Koszul self-duality means that the natural projection of dg-operads

$$\pi : (\mathcal{B}(s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee), \mu) \twoheadrightarrow (\text{Gerst}, 0) \quad (17)$$

is a quasi-isomorphism. Here the map π interchanges the multiplication and the bracket. In particular, under π ,

$$\begin{aligned} w_{12} &\in \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee(2) \mapsto \text{multiplication,} \\ 1 &\in \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee(2) \mapsto \text{Lie bracket,} \\ \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee(k) &\rightarrow 0 \text{ for } k > 2. \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

In order to give a similar construction for the resolution of the operad **Hycomm**, we consider the cobar complex of the equivariant model of the gravity operad:

$$\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2 \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{Grav}) \xrightarrow{\kappa} \mathbf{Hycomm}. \quad (19)$$

The differential d on $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2 \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee)$ is a sum of two parts. The first summand is equal to the inner differential $\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w}$. The second summand is given by cocomposition μ defined by Eq. (13). For example, on a generator $\frac{u^k}{k!} f(w_{ij})$, where f is a monomial in w_{ij} , $1 \leq i \neq j \leq n$, the differential is given by

$$d \left(\frac{u^k}{k!} f(w_{ij}) \right) = \frac{u^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} \sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial f}{\partial w_{ij}} + \sum_{\substack{I \sqcup J = [n], |J| \geq 2, |I| \geq 1, \\ k_1 + k_2 = k}} (-1)^{\deg_w f^I} \frac{u^{k_1}}{k_1!} f^I \otimes \frac{u^{k_2}}{k_2!} f^J.$$

Since $f \in \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee(n)$ is a monomial in w_{ij} , for each decomposition $I \sqcup J = [n]$ we have a uniquely defined pair of monomials $f^I \in \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee(|I| + 1)$ and $f^J \in \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee(|J|)$. It is important for Koszul sign rule in future computations to recall once again the degree of a particular generator of the cobar complex:

$$\deg \left(\frac{u^k}{k!} f(w_{ij}) \right) = 2 - 2n + 2k + \deg_w f + 1 = 3 - 2(n - k) + \deg_w f.$$

3.6. Applying the homotopy quotient and the free product to gravity operad. Let us apply the composition of functors we defined in Sect. 2.2 to the free dg-model of the operad of hypercommutative algebras discussed in Eq. (19). I. e. in this section we describe the dg-operad which is the homotopy quotient by Δ of the free product with $\mathbb{k}[\Delta]$ of the dg-operad $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2 \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee)$.

Consider first the image of the free product functor $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2 \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee) \star \mathbb{k}[\Delta]$. Note that $\mathbb{k}[u]$ comes from the cohomology ring of BS^1 and, therefore, it is natural to define the differential which interacts with the action of Δ and u :

$$\Delta^{ad} \frac{\partial}{\partial u} : \gamma \mapsto \left\{ \Delta, \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial u} \right\} = \Delta \circ \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial u} - \sum_{i=1}^n \pm \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial u} \circ_i \Delta.$$

That is, the operator $\frac{\partial}{\partial u}$ acts on n -ary operation γ and $\Delta^{ad} \frac{\partial}{\partial u}$ acts as the commutator of $\frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial u}$ and Δ . Note that operators Δ^{ad} and $\frac{\partial}{\partial u}$ commute.

The following corollary follows directly from the proof of Proposition 2.2:

Corollary 3.5. *The natural projection that takes $\Delta, \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots$ to 0 is a quasi-isomorphism of dg-operads*

$$\left(\frac{\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee) \star \mathbb{k}[\Delta]}{\Delta}, \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \mu + \Delta^{ad} \frac{\partial}{\partial u} + \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right) \longrightarrow \left(\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee), \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \mu \right). \quad (20)$$

The operad $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee) \star \mathbb{k}[\Delta]$ will be referred to as an *equivariant cobar complex*. This operad is spanned by trees whose vertices are marked by elements of the cooperad $\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee$ and some edges are marked by Δ .

3.7. BV and semi-direct composition of operads. In this section we recall the presentation of the BV operad in terms of the semi-direct composition. The topological definition of the semi-direct composition of a group and an operad is given in [28]. In our case, the group is S^1 , and the algebraic counterpart consists of the semi-direct composition of the Gerstenhaber operad with a free algebra $\mathbb{k}[\Delta]$ generated by a unique generator Δ of degree -1 . As we have already mentioned in Sect. 3.4, the circle acts by inner rotations of the disc and the corresponding coaction is given by the operator $\frac{\partial}{\partial w}$ defined by Eq. (14).

We have already mentioned in Sect. 3.1 that the operad $\text{Gerst} \ltimes \mathbb{k}[\Delta]$ coincides with BV. Let us specify a bit the description of $\text{Gerst} \ltimes \mathbb{k}[\Delta]$. The space of n -ary operations of $\text{Gerst} \ltimes \mathbb{k}[\Delta](n)$ is equal to $\text{Gerst}(n) \otimes \mathbb{k}[\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_n]$. In particular, $\text{Gerst} \ltimes \mathbb{k}[\Delta](1) = \mathbb{k}[\Delta]$. By definition, for any $\gamma \in \text{Gerst}(n)$ we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma \circ_i \Delta &:= \gamma \otimes \Delta_i, \\ \Delta \circ \gamma &:= \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma \circ_i \Delta + \Delta(\gamma), \end{aligned}$$

where in the last summand we use the action of Δ on Gerst . These two formulas allow to extend unambiguously the operadic product on Gerst to an operadic product on $\text{Gerst} \ltimes \mathbb{k}[\Delta](n)$. Moreover, the projection $\pi : \mathcal{B}(s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee) \rightarrow \text{Gerst}$ from Eq. (18) is extended to a quasi-isomorphism of semi-direct compositions:

$$\pi : (\mathcal{B}(s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee) \ltimes \mathbb{k}[\Delta], \mu) \twoheadrightarrow (\text{Gerst} \ltimes \mathbb{k}[\Delta], 0) = (\text{BV}, 0). \quad (21)$$

Lemma 3.6. *The natural projection*

$$\epsilon : \left(\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee) \star \mathbb{k}[\Delta], \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \mu + \Delta^{ad} \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right) \twoheadrightarrow (\mathcal{B}(s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee) \ltimes \mathbb{k}[\Delta], \mu)$$

that sends $u \mapsto 0$, $\Delta \mapsto \Delta$, and $\text{Gerst} \rightarrow \text{Gerst}$, is a quasi-isomorphism of dg-operads.

Proof. First, we check that ϵ is a morphism of the dg-operad. Indeed, a direct computation follows that ϵ is compatible with the differentials. Since the cobar complexes are free operads, we immediately get the compatibility with the operadic structures.

Then we consider a filtration by the number of internal edges in cobar complexes both in the source and in the target of ϵ . The associated graded differential in the target

is equal to 0, and the associated graded differential in the source dg-operad is equal to $\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \Delta^{ad} \frac{\partial}{\partial u}$.

At that point it is possible to choose a filtration (or rather a sequence of filtrations) in the source dg-operad such that the associated graded differential will simplify further and is equal to $\Delta^{out} \frac{\partial}{\partial u}$. Here Δ^{out} is an operator defined by $\Delta^{out}(\gamma) = \Delta \circ \gamma$, that is, we create a new Δ only at the output of a vertex.

The cohomology of the complex $(\mathbb{k}[\Delta] \otimes \mathbb{k}[u], \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial u})$ is equal to \mathbb{k} . Therefore, the cohomology with respect to the differential $\Delta^{out} \frac{\partial}{\partial u}$ is generated by the graphs whose vertices are decorated by u^0 and there are no Δ 's on the outputs of the vertices. This means that the whole graph is allowed to have only some Δ 's at the global inputs of the graph. This kind of graphs span by definition the semi-direct composition $\mathcal{B}(s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee) \ltimes \mathbb{k}[\Delta]$. \square

4. Main Diagram of Quasi-Isomorphisms

In this section we present the full diagram of quasi-isomorphisms that connects Hycomm and BV/Δ . We show how ψ -classes appear in the picture and how one can get an algebraic model of the Kimura-Stasheff-Voronov operad.

In the forthcoming Sect. 5 we are going to move the generators m_k of Hycomm , through this diagram and this way we obtain a quasi-isomorphism $\theta : \text{Hycomm} \rightarrow \text{BV}/\Delta$.

Theorem 4.1. *We have the following sequence of quasi-isomorphisms:*

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \left(\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee), \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \mu \right) & \xleftarrow{j} & \left(\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee) \star \mathbb{k}[\Delta]/\Delta, \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \mu + \Delta^{ad} \frac{\partial}{\partial u} + \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right) \\
 \downarrow \varepsilon & & \downarrow \epsilon \\
 \left(\mathcal{B}(\text{Grav}^\vee), \mu^{\text{Grav}} \right) & & \left(\frac{\mathcal{B}(s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee) \ltimes \mathbb{k}[\Delta]}{\Delta}, \mu + \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right) \\
 \downarrow \kappa & & \downarrow \pi \\
 (\text{Hycomm}, 0) & \xrightarrow{\theta} & (\text{BV}/\Delta, \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi})
 \end{array} \quad (22)$$

Proof. In Sect. 3 we give a detailed description of all the morphisms involved in Diagram (22) and prove that they are quasi-isomorphisms, except for θ . Indeed,

- κ : The morphism κ is a quasi-isomorphism because the operads Hycomm and Grav are Koszul dual to each other, see Sect. 3.3.
- ε : The equivariant model of the operad Grav is discussed in Sect. 3.4. We apply the cobar functor to the quasi-isomorphism $\varepsilon : (\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes \text{Gerst}^\vee, \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w}) \rightarrow \text{Grav}^\vee$ described in Lemma 3.4.
- j : The morphism j is a special case of the composition of the free product functor and the homotopy quotient functor discussed in Sect. 2.2, see Corollary 3.5.
- ϵ : The existence of ϵ is discussed in Sect. 3.7. The quasi-isomorphism property of ϵ is proved in Lemma 3.6 via a sequence of filtrations.

- π : The map π is obtained as a homotopy quotient of the quasi-isomorphism given by Eq. (21). The latter one is obtained from the standard Koszul resolution of \mathbf{Gerst} (see Eqs. (17),(18)).
- θ : Section 5 contains a careful description of θ together with the proof of quasi-iso and commutativity of the diagram. We take the generators of \mathbf{Hycomm} and move the corresponding cocycles through the diagram above in a clockwise direction. We will show that the resulting map of generators from \mathbf{Hycomm} to \mathbf{BV}/Δ defines a morphism of operads and does not depend on particular choices of cocycles one made in-between. In particular, the image of the map θ coincides with the intersection of the kernel of differential $\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$ with the suboperad of \mathbf{BV}/Δ generated by multiplication and ϕ_i 's. \square

Recall from Sect. 2.3 that any given S^1 -operad \mathcal{Q} and a pair of natural numbers $i < n$ defines an S^1 -fibration over $\mathcal{Q}/\Delta(n)$ associated with the S^1 -rotations in the i th slot. We will apply this construction for the operad \mathbf{BV} in order to have another description of the line bundles over the moduli space $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n+1}$ formed by the cotangent lines at the marked point. Recall that ψ -classes are the first Chern classes of these line bundles. Theorem 4.2 below explains the algebraic counterpart of the action of ψ -classes in Diagram (22).

Theorem 4.2. *The S^1 -fibration over the space of the n -ary operation of the homotopy quotient by S^1 of the framed little discs operad associated to the rotations in the i th slot coincides with the S^1 -bundle over $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n+1}$ coming from the line bundle of the cotangent lines at the i th marked point.*

The algebraic models of the evaluation of the first Chern class of S^1 -bundles under consideration are underlined in the following refinement of commutative Diagram (22):

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \begin{array}{c} \circlearrowleft_i \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \\ \downarrow \kappa \circ \varepsilon \\ (\mathbf{Hycomm}, 0) \\ \circlearrowright_i \psi_i \end{array} & \xleftarrow{j} & \begin{array}{c} \circlearrowleft_i \frac{\partial}{\partial u} + \circlearrowleft_i \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi_1} \\ (\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2 \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee) \star \mathbb{k}[\Delta]/\Delta, \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \mu + \Delta^{ad} \frac{\partial}{\partial u} + \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}) \\ \downarrow \pi \circ \varepsilon \\ (\mathbf{BV}/\Delta, \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}) \\ \circlearrowright_i \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi_1} \end{array} \\
 & & \text{(23)}
 \end{array}$$

Each operator drawn as a loop near the appropriate complex defines an operator which commutes with the differential in this complex and the vertical and horizontal arrows map these derivations one to another. For example, the derivation $\circlearrowleft_i \frac{\partial}{\partial u}$ is the differentiation by the u -variable in the vertex attached to the i^{th} slot (input/output) of the element in the cobar complex $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2 \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee)$, and the differentiation $\circlearrowright_i \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi_1}$ means the non-commutative differentiation by ϕ_1 in the algebra $\mathbb{k}(\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots)$ which is also attached to the i^{th} slot.

Proof. We omit the detailed proof of this theorem because the proof repeats the one of Theorem 4.1 and is based on the results of Getzler mentioned in Statement 3.1.

It is a direct check that the diagram commutes everywhere except the leftmost arrow. From Proposition 2.4 we know that the corresponding derivations drawn in the loops represents the evaluation map with the first Chern class on the homology level. Statement 3.1 finishes the coincidence of the corresponding bundles and Chern classes respectively. \square

Recall that for any operad \mathcal{Q} with a chosen S^1 -action we construct a functorial quasi-iso projection $\eta_{\mathcal{Q}} : \left((\mathcal{Q}/\Delta) \star \mathbb{k}[\Delta], (\Delta - \Delta_{\mathcal{Q}}) \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right) \mapsto \mathcal{Q}$ (compare with Eq. (8)). We want to apply the functor $\eta_{\mathcal{Q}} \circ (\star \mathbb{k}[\Delta])$ to the main Diagram (22). This operation is well defined because all operads involved in Diagram (22) are quasi-iso to the image of the functor of homotopy quotient by Δ . Moreover the composition of functors $\eta_{\mathcal{Q}} \circ (\star \mathbb{k}[\Delta])$ applied to the second column of Diagram (22) just removes the homotopy quotient. On the other hand we show how this functor affects the differential if we apply the same functor to the left column of Diagram (22). Indeed we have the following dg-model for the BV-operad (the image of $\eta_{\mathcal{Q}} \circ (\star \mathbb{k}[\Delta])$ to the left-top operad from Diagram (22)):

$$\left(\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2 \text{Gerst}^{\vee}) \star \mathbb{k}[\Delta], \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \mu + \Delta^{ad} \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right).$$

Theorem 4.2 says that the differential in the bottom of the column should replace the operator $\frac{\partial}{\partial u}$ by the evaluation of the corresponding ψ -class. I. e. the image of the bottom complex is $(\text{Hycomm} \star \mathbb{k}[\Delta], \Delta \psi)$, where the differential “ $\Delta \psi$ ” is defined on the generators by the following formula:

$$(\Delta \psi) \cdot m_n = \sum_{i=0}^n (\psi_i m_n) \circ_i \Delta - \sum_{S_1 \sqcup S_2 = \{0, \dots, n\}} m_{|S_1|+1} \circ_* \Delta \circ_* m_{|S_2|}.$$

The formulas have the same form whenever one uses the ψ -classes description of the Hycomm-operad:

$$\begin{aligned} (\Delta \psi) \cdot \psi_0^{d_0} \dots \psi_i^{d_i} \dots \psi_n^{d_n} [\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n+1}] &= \sum_{i=0}^n \psi_i \prod_{s=0}^n \psi_s^{d_s} [\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n+1}] \circ_i \Delta + \\ &- \sum_{S_1 \sqcup S_2 = \{0, \dots, n\}} \prod_{s \in S_1} \psi_s^{d_s} [\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,|S_1|+1}] \otimes \Delta \\ &\otimes \prod_{s \in S_2} \psi_s^{d_s} [\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,|S_2|+1}]. \end{aligned}$$

We finally end up with the following corollary which seems to be quite useful in order to have a description of the Quillen homology and minimal resolution of BV-operad:

Corollary 4.3. *There exists a commutative diagram of quasi-isomorphisms of operads:*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \left(\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2 \text{Gerst}^{\vee}) \star \mathbb{k}[\Delta], \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \mu + \Delta^{ad} \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right) & \xleftarrow{j} & \left(\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \oplus \mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2 \text{Gerst}^{\vee}), \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \mu \right) \\ \downarrow \kappa \circ \varepsilon & & \downarrow \pi \circ \varepsilon \\ (\text{Hycomm} \star \mathbb{k}[\Delta], \Delta \psi) & \xrightarrow{\theta} & (\text{BV}, 0) \end{array}$$

Note that the operad $(\text{Hycomm} \star \mathbb{k}[\Delta], \Delta\psi)$ is an algebraic model of the Kimura-Stasheff-Voronov operad (see e.g. [16] for details). Moreover, the map θ becomes an obviously defined projection that sends the operation $m_2 \in \text{Hycomm}(2)$ to the multiplication in BV, Δ to Δ and all other generators m_k for $k \geq 3$ of the operad Hycomm are mapped to 0.

5. Diagram Chase

This technical section consists of the precise description of the inverse maps that appear in Diagram (22). The aim is to get precise formulas for the cocycles in this Diagram. We move our cocycles through Diagram (22) step by step in the clockwise direction starting with the operad Hycomm .

5.1. The inverse of κ . The generators of the cohomology of $(\mathcal{B}(\text{Grav}^\vee), \mu^{\text{Grav}})$ that project under κ to the cocycles m_i , $i = 2, 3, \dots$, are \bar{m}_i described in Sect. 3.3, see Eq. (11).

5.2. The inverse of ε . The complex $(\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee), \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \mu)$ has two differentials. The quasi-isomorphism ε is the projection to the cohomology with respect to the differential $\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w}$.

Let us give the inductive procedure of writing an inverse map to ε . We will show how one can increase the number of inputs in order to write down a sequence of representing cocycles. The way we are doing that is not symmetric in the inputs; each cocycle will depend on the ordering of the inputs, but different orderings will give homologous cocycles. The map that increases the number of inputs is defined as a linear combination of some auxiliary maps that we introduce now.

Consider the natural embedding of the Orlik-Solomon algebras:

$$\begin{aligned} \iota_{I,n} &: \mathbb{k}[u] \otimes \text{Gerst}^\vee(I) \rightarrow \mathbb{k}[u] \otimes \text{Gerst}^\vee(I \sqcup \{n\}), \\ \iota_{I,n} &: w_{ij} \mapsto w_{ij}, \quad \forall i, j \in I, \\ \iota_{I,n} &: u \mapsto u. \end{aligned}$$

The meaning of this formula is the following. We just increase the number of inputs: the set of inputs I is replaced by the set of inputs $I \sqcup \{n\}$.

We extend the map $\iota_{I,n}$ to a derivation of the bar-complex $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee)$. It is not well-defined for the operations of arity $\geq n$, because in this case it might appear that $I \ni n$. But we restrict the resulting map to the operations of arity $n-1$. We denote this extension by $\iota_n : \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee)(n-1) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee)(n)$.

Now we define a collection of derivations $\varsigma_{s,n}$, $s = 0, \dots, n-1$, of the Bar-complex $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2\text{Gerst}^\vee)$. Again, for this definition we need only in arity $(n-1)$, and it doesn't work in arity $\geq n$. The map $\varsigma_{s,n}$ increases the set of inputs by the input n in the same sense as ι_n . Since $\varsigma_{s,n}$ is a derivation, it is enough to describe what happens when we apply it to a corolla γ . It produces a tree with one internal edge and two internal vertices. One vertex coincides with the corolla γ and the remaining vertex corresponds to a binary operation, that is, it has two inputs and one output. There are two cases,

$s = 1, \dots, n-1$, and $s = 0$. For $s = 1, \dots, n-1$ we have a map:

$$\varsigma_{sn}: \mathbb{K}[u] \otimes \text{Gerst}^\vee(I) \rightarrow (\mathbb{K}[u] \otimes \text{Gerst}^\vee(I \sqcup \{*\} \setminus \{s\})) \otimes (\mathbb{K}[u] \otimes \text{Gerst}^\vee(\{s, n\}));$$

$$\frac{u^k}{k!} f(w_{ij}) \mapsto \sum_{k_1+k_2=k} \frac{u^{k_1}}{k_1!} f(w_{ij}) \otimes \frac{u^{k_2+1}}{(k_2+1)!} w_{sn}.$$

Note that in the first factor on the right hand side we identify w_{is} and w_{i*} as it is prescribed by the cocomposition rules defined in Eq. (13). For $s = 0$ we have:

$$\varsigma_{0n}: \mathbb{K}[u] \otimes \text{Gerst}^\vee(I) \rightarrow (\mathbb{K}[u] \otimes \text{Gerst}^\vee(\{*, n\})) \otimes (\mathbb{K}[u] \otimes \text{Gerst}^\vee(I));$$

$$\frac{u^k}{k!} f(w_{ij}) \mapsto - \sum_{k_1+k_2=k} \frac{u^{k_2+1}}{(k_2+1)!} w_{*n} \otimes \frac{u^{k_1}}{k_1!} f(w_{ij}).$$

Lemma 5.1. *The map $\zeta_n := \iota_n + \sum_{s=0}^{n-1} \varsigma_{sn}$ is a chain map of homological degree (-2) between the subcomplexes spanned by operations of arity $(n-1)$ and n :*

$$\zeta_n: \left(\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{K}[u] \otimes s^2 \text{Gerst}^\vee)(n-1), \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \mu \right) \\ \rightarrow \left(\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{K}[u] \otimes s^2 \text{Gerst}^\vee)(n), \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \mu \right) [-2].$$

Proof. The only thing that we have to check is that ζ_n commutes with the differential. Since ι_n and ς_{sn} , $s = 0, \dots, n-1$, as well as $\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w}$ and μ are all derivations of the cobar complex, it is enough to check the compatibility on the generators.

First, observe that $[\iota_n, \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w}] = 0$, because they do not interact with the n^{th} input. Then we compute the image of the commutator $[\iota_n, \mu]$ applied to the monomial $\frac{u^k}{k!} f(w_{ij})$, where the indices i, j belong a given set K :

$$(\iota_n \mu - \mu \iota_n) \left(\frac{u^k}{k!} f(w_{ij}) \right) = \iota_n \left(\sum_{\substack{I \sqcup J = K, \\ |J| \geq 2, |I| \geq 1, \\ k_1+k_2=k}} (-1)^{\deg_w f^I} \frac{u^{k_1}}{k_1!} f^I \otimes \frac{u^{k_2}}{k_2!} f^J \right) \\ - \left(\sum_{\substack{(I \sqcup \{n\}) \sqcup J = K \sqcup \{n\}, \\ |J| \geq 2, |I|+1 \geq 1, \\ k_1+k_2=k}} (-1)^{\deg_w f^I} \frac{u^{k_1}}{k_1!} f^I \otimes \frac{u^{k_2}}{k_2!} f^J + \sum_{\substack{I \sqcup (J \sqcup \{n\}) = K \sqcup \{n\}, \\ |J|+1 \geq 2, |I| \geq 1, \\ k_1+k_2=k}} (-1)^{\deg_w f^I} \frac{u^{k_1}}{k_1!} f^I \otimes \frac{u^{k_2}}{k_2!} f^J \right).$$

Since ι_n increases the number of inputs in the operations but does not change the monomial, the only summands that are not canceled in the difference above are the ones with $|J| = 1$ or $|I| = 0$. Therefore,

$$[\iota_n, \mu] \cdot \left(\frac{u^k}{k!} f(w_{ij}) \right) \\ = - \sum_{k_1+k_2=k} \left(\sum_{s \in K} (-1)^{\deg_w f} \frac{u^{k_1}}{k_1!} f^* \otimes \frac{u^{k_2}}{k_2!} 1^{s,n} + \frac{u^{k_1}}{k_1!} 1^{n*} \otimes \frac{u^{k_2}}{k_2!} f \right).$$

The monomial f^* is obtained from f by replacing the index s by an additional index $*$ that appears in the cocomposition.

Observe that $[\varsigma_{sn}, \mu] = 0$, $s = 0, \dots, n-1$, since μ vanishes on binary operations. Meanwhile, for $s = 1, \dots, n-1$ we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left[\varsigma_{sn}, \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \right] \left(\frac{u^k}{k!} f(w_{ij}) \right) \\
 &= \sum_{k_1+k_2=k-1} \frac{u^{k_1}}{k_1!} \frac{\partial f}{\partial w} \otimes \frac{u^{k_2+1}}{(k_2+1)!} w^{sn} - \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \left(\sum_{k_1+k_2=k} \frac{u^{k_1}}{k_1!} f \otimes \frac{u^{k_2+1}}{(k_2+1)!} w^{sn} \right) \\
 &= \sum_{k_1+k_2=k-1} \frac{u^{k_1}}{k_1!} \frac{\partial f}{\partial w} \otimes \frac{u^{k_2+1}}{(k_2+1)!} w^{sn} \\
 &\quad - \sum_{k_1+k_2=k} \left(\frac{u^{k_1-1}}{(k_1-1)!} \frac{\partial f}{\partial w} \otimes \frac{u^{k_2}}{k_2!} w^{sn} + (-1)^{\deg_w f - 1} \frac{u^{k_1}}{k_1!} f \otimes \frac{u^{k_2}}{k_2!} 1^{sn} \right) \\
 &= (-1)^{\deg_w f} \sum_{k_1+k_2=k} \frac{u^{k_1}}{k_1!} f \otimes \frac{u^{k_2}}{k_2!} 1^{sn}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Here the sign $(-1)^{\deg_w f - 1}$ comes from the Koszul sign rule. Similarly, for $s = 0$ we have:

$$\left[\varsigma_{0n}, \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \right] \left(\frac{u^k}{k!} f(w_{ij}) \right) = \sum_{k_1+k_2=k} \frac{u^{k_1}}{k_1!} 1^{*n} \otimes \frac{u^{k_2}}{k_2!} f.$$

Finally, we see the cancellation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left[\zeta_n, \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \mu \right] \left(\frac{u^k}{k!} f(w_{ij}) \right) \\
 &= - \sum_{k_1+k_2=k} \left(\sum_{s \in K} (-1)^{\deg_w f} \frac{u^{k_1}}{k_1!} f \otimes \frac{u^{k_2}}{k_2!} 1^{s,n} + \frac{u^{k_1}}{k_1!} 1^n \otimes \frac{u^{k_2}}{k_2!} f \right) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{k_1+k_2=k} \frac{u^{k_1}}{k_1!} 1^{*n} \otimes \frac{u^{k_2}}{k_2!} f + \sum_{s=1}^{n-1} \sum_{k_1+k_2=k} (-1)^{\deg_w f} \frac{u^{k_1}}{k_1!} f \otimes \frac{u^{k_2}}{k_2!} 1^{sn} \\
 &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

□

We define a sequence of elements $v_n \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2 \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee)(n)$, $n = 2, 3, \dots$. We set $v_2 = w_{12}$ and define $v_{i+1} := \zeta_{i+1}(v_i)$, $i = 2, 3, \dots$. Lemma 5.1 implies that

Corollary 5.2. *The elements v_n are the cocycles that project to the generators of the hypercommutative operad, $n = 2, 3, \dots$. That is, for all $n \geq 2$ we have:*

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \mu \right) v_n = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \kappa(\varepsilon(v_n)) = \mathfrak{m}_n.$$

Remark 5.3. Any permutation σ of the inputs will provide another choice of a cocycle given by

$$\zeta_{\sigma(n)}(\zeta_{\sigma(n-1)}(\dots(\zeta_{\sigma(3)}(w_{\sigma(1)\sigma(2)}))\dots)).$$

It is homologous to v_n for any $\sigma \in S_n$.

5.2.1. The topological recursion relation In this section we show how the formulas for v_n , $n = 2, 3, \dots$, imply the topological recursion relations.

Lemma 5.4. *The following two cocycles are homologous:*

$$v_n \circ_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{|S_1 \sqcup S_2| = n-2} v_{S_1 \sqcup \{2, *\}} \otimes v_{S_2 \sqcup \{1\}}.$$

Similarly, the cocycle $\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \circ_0 v_n$ is homologous to the sum $\sum_{|S_1 \sqcup S_2| = n-2} v_{S_1 \sqcup \{*\}} \otimes v_{S_2 \sqcup \{1, 2\}}$.

Proof. Recall that the meaning of the derivation $\circ_i \frac{\partial}{\partial u}$ is to take the partial derivative with respect to the variable u attached to the i th input (or, in the case of $i = 0$, output) of the element in the cobar complex (cf. Theorem 4.2). A direct computation similar to the one we made in the proof of Lemma 5.1 shows that the commutator $[\circ_i \frac{\partial}{\partial u}, \zeta_n]$ acts on the monomial generator $\frac{u^k}{k!} f(w_{ij})$ by the following formula:

$$\left[\circ_i \frac{\partial}{\partial u}, \zeta_n \right] \left(\frac{u^k}{k!} f(w_{ij}) \right) = \left[\circ_i \frac{\partial}{\partial u}, \varsigma_{in} \right] \left(\frac{u^k}{k!} f(w_{ij}) \right) = \frac{u^k}{k!} f^* \otimes w_{in}. \quad (24)$$

Here f^* is obtained from f by replacing the index i with the index $*$ corresponding to the coproduct.

Note that two cocycles are homologous if and only if they have the same image under the morphism $\kappa \circ \varepsilon$, since this morphism is a projection on the homology. Recall that the augmentation map ε annihilates all positive powers of u and, in particular, $\varepsilon \circ \varsigma_{sn} = 0$. This implies the following sequence of identities:

$$\begin{aligned} & \varepsilon \left(v_n \circ_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right) \\ &= \varepsilon \left(\sum_{j=3}^n \zeta_n \dots [\circ_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial u}, \zeta_j] \dots \zeta_3 w_{12} \right) \\ &= \varepsilon \left(\sum_{j=3}^n \iota_n \dots \iota_{j+1} \left[\circ_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial u}, \varsigma_{1j} \right] \iota_{j-1} \dots \iota_3 (w_{12}) \right) \\ &= \varepsilon \left(\sum_{j=3}^n \sum_{S_1 \sqcup S_2 = \{j+1, \dots, n\}} \left(\left(\prod_{s \in S_1} \iota_s \right) \iota_{j-1} \dots \iota_3 (w_{2*}) \right) \otimes \left(\prod_{s \in S_2} \iota_s (w_{1j}) \right) \right) \\ &= \varepsilon \left(\sum_{S_1 \sqcup S_2 = \{3, \dots, n\}} v_{S_1 \sqcup \{2, *\}} \otimes v_{S_2 \sqcup \{1\}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

The second statement of Lemma 5.4 deals with the derivation $\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \circ_0$ with respect to the variable u attached to the output. The proof is absolutely the same. \square

These homologous properties of the cocycles v_n implies the topological recursion relations.

Corollary 5.5. *We have:*

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_0^{d_0} \psi_1^{d_1+1} \psi_2^{d_2} \dots \psi_n^{d_n} [\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n+1}] &= \sum_{S_1 \sqcup S_2 = \{3, \dots, n\}} \prod_{s \in S_1 \sqcup \{0, 2\}} \psi_s^{d_s} [\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0, |S_1|+3}] \\ &\otimes \prod_{s \in S_2 \sqcup \{1\}} \psi_s^{d_s} [\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0, |S_2|+2}]. \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_0^{d_0+1} \psi_1^{d_1} \dots \psi_n^{d_n} [\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n+1}] &= \sum_{S_1 \sqcup S_2 = \{3, \dots, n\}} \prod_{s \in S_1 \sqcup \{0\}} \psi_s^{d_s} [\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0, |S_1|+2}] \\ &\otimes \prod_{s \in S_2 \sqcup \{1, 2\}} \psi_s^{d_s} [\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0, |S_2|+3}]. \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

Proof. It follows from Theorem 4.2 that we can use the partial derivation with respect to u attached to the i th input (respectively, to the output) instead of taking ψ -class in the i th marked point (respectively, to the 0^{th} marked point). Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_1 \prod_{s \in \{0, \dots, n\}} \psi_s^{d_s} [\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{n+1}] &= \kappa \circ \varepsilon \left(\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \circ_0 \right)^{d_0} \prod_{s=1}^n \left(\circ_s \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right)^{d_s} \circ_i \frac{\partial}{\partial u} v_n \right) \\ &= \kappa \circ \varepsilon \left(\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \circ_0 \right)^{d_0} \prod_{s=1}^n \left(\circ_s \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right)^{d_s} \sum_{S_1 \sqcup S_2 = \{3, \dots, n\}} v_{S_1 \sqcup \{2, *\}} \otimes v_{S_2 \sqcup \{1\}} \right) \\ &= \sum_{S_1 \sqcup S_2 = \{3, \dots, n\}} \kappa \circ \varepsilon \left(\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \circ_0 \right)^{d_0} \prod_{s \in S_1 \sqcup \{2\}} \left(\circ_s \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right)^{d_s} v_{S_1 \sqcup \{2, *\}} \right) \\ &\quad \otimes \kappa \circ \varepsilon \left(\prod_{s \in S_2 \sqcup \{1\}} \left(\circ_s \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right)^{d_s} v_{S_2 \sqcup \{1\}} \right) \\ &= \prod_{s \in S_1 \sqcup \{0, 2\}} \psi_s^{d_s} [\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0, |S_1|+3}] \otimes \prod_{s \in S_2 \sqcup \{1\}} \psi_s^{d_s} [\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0, |S_2|+2}]. \end{aligned}$$

The proof of the second statement of the corollary is exactly the same. \square

Remark 5.6. The symmetric group acts on the cocycles v_n changing them to the homologous one. Therefore, one can change the indices 1, 2 in the statement of Lemma 5.4 and Corollary 5.5 to any other pair of indices $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$. This completes our algebraic proof of the topological recursion relations.

In particular, Eqs. (25) and (26) imply combinatorially that in the case $d_0 + \dots + d_n = n - 2$ the product of ψ -classes evaluated on the fundamental class coincides with the iterated multiplication up to a multinomial coefficient:

$$\psi_0^{d_0} \dots \psi_n^{d_n} [\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{n+1}](x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{(n-2)!}{d_0! \dots d_n!} m(x_1, \dots, x_n). \quad (27)$$

This formula explains the factors used in the definition of the map θ and, in particular, in Eq. (5).

5.3. *The inverse of j .* In this section we construct the cocycles in the complex

$$\left(\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2 \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee) \star \mathbb{k}[\Delta]/\Delta, \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \mu + \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial u} + \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right) \quad (28)$$

that represent there the generators \mathfrak{m}_n , $n = 2, 3, \dots$, of \mathbf{Hycomm} .

The construction uses the definition of the homotopy quotient. Recall that the defining Eq. (1) implies the following two identities:

$$(d + \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}) \Phi(z) = \Phi(z)(d + z\Delta), \quad \Phi(z)^{-1}(d + \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}) = (d + z\Delta) \Phi(z)^{-1}.$$

Therefore, the adjoint action of Φ on the complex (28) given by $\Phi^{ad}(z): \gamma \mapsto \Phi(z)\gamma\Phi(z)^{-1}$ satisfies the following equation:

$$\left(d + \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right) \Phi^{ad}(z)(\gamma) = \Phi^{ad}(z)(d\gamma + z[\Delta, \gamma]). \quad (29)$$

We use $\Phi(z)$ as a group-like element. This means that we want $\Phi^{ad}(z)$ must preserve the operadic composition, that is, $\Phi^{ad}(z)(\alpha \circ \beta) = (\Phi^{ad}(z)\alpha) \circ (\Phi^{ad}(z)\beta)$, where z is an operator acting on corollas.

Lemma 5.7. *Let v be a cocycle in $(\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2 \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee), \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \mu)$. The cochain $\Phi^{ad}(\frac{\partial}{\partial u})v$ is a cocycle in the dg-operad $(\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2 \mathbf{Gerst}^\vee) \star \mathbb{k}[\Delta]/\Delta, \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \mu + \Delta^{ad} \frac{\partial}{\partial u} + \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi})$. Moreover, $j(\Phi^{ad}(\frac{\partial}{\partial u})v) = v$.*

Proof. Equation (29) implies that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \mu + \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} + \Delta^{ad} \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right) \Phi^{ad} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right) v \\ &= \Phi^{ad} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right) \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \mu + \Delta^{ad} \frac{\partial}{\partial u} - \Delta^{ad} \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right) v = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since j annihilates ϕ_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots$, the second statement of the lemma is obvious. \square

Therefore, cocycles representing the generators \mathfrak{m}_n , $n = 2, 3, \dots$, of \mathbf{Hycomm} in the dg-operad (28) can be given by the formula

$$\Phi^{ad} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right) v_n = \Phi^{ad} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right) \zeta_n \cdots \zeta_3(w_{12}). \quad (30)$$

5.4. *The projection $\pi \circ \epsilon$.* In this section we apply the projection $\pi \circ \epsilon$ to the cocycles given by Eq. (30).

Recall that the projection ϵ from Sect. 3.7 maps u to 0. The projection π given by Eqs. (21) and (18) annihilates all non-binary trees in the cobar complex. In particular, π

vanishes on all contributions of the operators ι_n for the formulas v_m for all $3 \leq n \leq m$. Therefore,

$$\theta_n := \pi \circ \epsilon \left(\Phi^{ad} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right) \cdot v_n \right) = \pi \circ \epsilon \left(\Phi^{ad} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right) \sum_{\substack{(i_3, \dots, i_n): \\ \forall s \ 0 \leq i_s \leq s}} \zeta_{i_n n} \cdots \zeta_{i_3 3}(w_{12}) \right). \quad (31)$$

Finally we are able to state our main result:

Theorem 5.8. *The map $\theta : \text{Hycomm} \rightarrow \text{BV}/\Delta$ defined by $\theta : m_n \mapsto \theta_n$ is a quasi-isomorphism of the dg-operad. It makes the diagram (22) commutative.*

Proof. Theorem 4.1 implies that the cohomology of $(\text{BV}/\Delta, \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi})$ is isomorphic to Hycomm.

We denote by $\mathcal{Q} \subset \text{BV}/\Delta$ the intersection of the kernel of $\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$ with the suboperad of BV/Δ generated by multiplication and ϕ_i 's. Observe that the suboperad $\mathcal{Q} \subset \text{BV}/\Delta$ belongs to the cohomology. Indeed, by definition \mathcal{Q} doesn't intersect the image of $\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$ and belongs to the kernel of $\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$. Note that Δ does not appear in the representing cocycles $\Phi^{ad}(\frac{\partial}{\partial u})v_n$ and, therefore, θ_n also does not contain Δ in its presentation in terms of the generators. This implies that the cocycles θ_n belong to \mathcal{Q} , $n = 2, 3, \dots$

The same is true if we apply the diagram chase for any element of Hycomm. Therefore the full cohomology of $(\text{BV}/\Delta, \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi})$ is equal to \mathcal{Q} , and the map $m_n \mapsto \theta_n$, $n \geq 2$, defines the isomorphism between Hycomm and \mathcal{Q} . \square

We finish this section with a diagram that summarizes our chase of cocycles in Diagram (22):

$$\begin{array}{ccc} v_n \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2 \text{Gerst}^\vee) & \xleftarrow{j} & \Phi^{ad} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right) v_n \in \frac{\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{k}[u] \otimes s^2 \text{Gerst}^\vee) \star \mathbb{k}[\Delta]}{\Delta} \\ \downarrow \kappa \circ \epsilon & & \downarrow \pi \circ \epsilon \\ m_n \in \text{Hycomm} & \xrightarrow{\theta} & \theta_n \in \text{BV}/\Delta \end{array}$$

5.5. Examples for $n = 2$ and 3. In this section we compute Formula (31) for $n = 2$ and $n = 3$ and show the coincidence of the two morphisms (one via Givental graphs, another via diagram chase) for $n = 2, 3$. A direct computation for $n = 2$ gives that

$$\theta_2 = \pi \circ \epsilon \left(\Phi^{ad} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right) (w_{12}) \right) = \pi(w_{12}) = m_2,$$

which is exactly the formula for θ_2 described in Sect. 1.2.

In the case of $n = 3$, we have:

$$\theta_3 = \pi \circ \epsilon \circ \Phi^{ad} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right) (\zeta_{03}(w_{12}) + \zeta_{13}(w_{12}) + \zeta_{23}(w_{12})).$$

By definition,

$$\varsigma_{03}(w_{12}) + \varsigma_{13}(w_{12}) + \varsigma_{23}(w_{12}) = -(uw_{3*}) \circ_* w_{12} + w_{2*} \circ_* (uw_{13}) + w_{1*} \circ_* (uw_{23}).$$

Using that

$$\Phi^{ad} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right) ((uw_{3*}) \circ_* w_{12}) = \phi_1 \circ (w_{3*} \circ_* w_{12}) - (w_{3*} \circ_3 \phi_1) \circ_* w_{12} - w_{3*} \circ_* \phi_1 \circ_* w_{12},$$

$$\Phi^{ad} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right) (w_{2*} \circ_* (uw_{13})) = w_{2*} \circ_* \phi_1 \circ_* w_{13} - w_{2*} \circ_* w_{13} \circ_1 \phi_1 - w_{2*} \circ_* w_{13} \circ_3 \phi_1,$$

$$\Phi^{ad} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right) (w_{1*} \circ_* (uw_{23})) = w_{1*} \circ_* \phi_1 \circ_* w_{23} - w_{1*} \circ_* w_{23} \circ_2 \phi_1 - w_{1*} \circ_* w_{23} \circ_3 \phi_1,$$

it is then straightforward to compute the final expression for θ_3 that appears to be a summation of 7 terms and coincides with the formula for θ_3 described in Example 1.2.

The fact that we finally obtain the same formula for all $n \geq 0$ as in Sect. 1.2 is based on Lemma 5.4 and in particular on the topological recursion relations considered in Theorem 4.2. An easier proof is given in the next section using a uniqueness argument.

5.6. Uniqueness. In order to get the coincidence of morphisms θ (first defined via summation of Givental graphs in Sect. 1.2 and second via diagram chase in formula (31)) we just explain in the lemma below that there is no big freedom in the possible morphisms from Hycomm to BV/Δ .

Proposition 5.9. *Any graded automorphism of the operad Hycomm is defined by arbitrary dilations of \mathfrak{m}_2 and \mathfrak{m}_3 . I. e. for a given pair λ_2, λ_3 there exist a unique automorphism of Hycomm given by formulas $\mathfrak{m}_n \mapsto \lambda_2 \lambda_3^{n-2} \mathfrak{m}_n$ with $n \geq 2$; moreover, any automorphism belongs to this system.*

Proof. Indeed, note that for all $n \geq 2$ the subspace of $\text{Hycomm}(n)$ of homological degree $4 - 2n$ is one dimensional and is generated by the generator of Hycomm operad denoted earlier by \mathfrak{m}_n . Therefore any graded automorphism of Hycomm should be of the form $\mathfrak{m}_n \mapsto \lambda_n \mathfrak{m}_n$. The quadratic equations $\sum_{i+j} \mathfrak{m}_i \circ \mathfrak{m}_j = 0$ in the operad Hycomm implies that the product $\lambda_i \lambda_j$ should depend only on the sum $i + j$. By induction this follows that $\lambda_n = \lambda_2 \lambda_3^{n-2}$. \square

Corollary 5.10. *The morphism $\theta : \text{Hycomm} \rightarrow \text{BV}/\Delta$ given by Formula (31) via summation over binary trees coincides with the morphism θ described in Sect. 1.2 via summation of Givental graphs.*

Proof. In the proof of Theorem 5.8 we explained that the suboperad $\mathcal{Q} \subset \text{BV}/\Delta$ that is the intersection of the kernel of the differential $\Delta_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}}$ and the suboperad generated by multiplication and ϕ_i 's is isomorphic to Hycomm . Two maps θ that we have constructed defines two particular (iso)morphisms from Hycomm to \mathcal{Q} . We checked that these two morphisms coincide for \mathfrak{m}_2 and \mathfrak{m}_3 . Therefore, our uniqueness Proposition 5.9 implies that they are the same for all \mathfrak{m}_k . \square

Remark 5.11. It is possible to show the coincidence of two formulas for θ without using uniqueness arguments. The proof we know is technical and is based on the generalization of Lemma 5.4.

6. Givental Theory

In this section prove Theorem 1.3 using the Givental theory of a loop group action on the morphisms from **Hycomm** to an arbitrary operad. In fact, the action of the loop group on the **Hycomm**-algebras has also a homological explanation. It comes from the action on trivializations of the BV-operator, and we explain this at the end of this section.

6.1. Lie algebra action on morphisms of **Hycomm.** Consider an arbitrary operad \mathcal{P} . We consider morphisms of operads $\mathbf{Hycomm} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}$. We are going to introduce an infinitesimal action of the Lie algebra $\mathfrak{g} := \mathcal{P}(1) \otimes \mathbb{C}[[z]]$ on the space of morphisms, where z is a formal variable and $\mathcal{P}(1)$ is considered as a Lie algebra with respect to the commutator $[x, y] = xy - yx$, $x, y \in \mathcal{P}(1)$.

In order to fix a morphism of **Hycomm** to \mathcal{P} , we consider a system of cohomology classes $\alpha_n \in H^*(\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n+1}, \mathbb{C}) \otimes \mathcal{P}(n)$. These classes must satisfy the following condition:

- For any map $\rho: \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n_1+1} \times \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n_2+1} \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n+1}$, $n_1 + n_2 = n - 1$, that realizes a boundary divisor in $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n+1}$ and induces the operadic composition $\circ_i: \mathbf{Hycomm}(n_1) \otimes \mathbf{Hycomm}(n_2) \rightarrow \mathbf{Hycomm}(n)$, we have:

$$\rho^* \alpha_n = \alpha_{n_1} \circ_i \alpha_{n_2}, \quad (32)$$

where by \circ_i we denote the simultaneous product of cohomology classes and the \circ_i -composition in \mathcal{P} .

The infinitesimal action of the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} is given by the explicit formulas. Consider an element $r_\ell z^\ell \in \mathfrak{g}$ for some $\ell \geq 0$. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} r_\ell z^\ell . \alpha_n &:= r_\ell \circ_1 \psi_0^\ell \alpha_n + (-1)^{\ell+1} \sum_{m=1}^n \psi_m^\ell \alpha_n \circ_m r_\ell \\ &+ \sum_{I \sqcup J = [n]} \sum_{i+j=\ell-1} (-1)^{i+1} \rho_* \left(\psi_1^i \alpha_{|I|+1} \circ_1 r_\ell \circ_1 \psi_0^j \alpha_{|J|} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

Here in all cases \circ_m denotes the operation in \mathcal{P} ; ψ_m denotes the ψ -class in the corresponding moduli space ($\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n+1}$ in the second summand or $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,|I|+2}$ and $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,|J|+1}$ in the third summand), that is, the first Chern class of the line bundle with the fiber $T_{x_m}^* C$ over the curve $(C, x_0, x_1, \dots, x_k) \in \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,k+1}$ (k is then equal to n , $|I|$, and $|J| + 1$ respectively). Moreover, we always assume that the “output” marked point is x_0 , and, in the third summand, we assume that the map ρ attaches the output point of $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,|J|+1}$ to the first input (that is, the point x_1) of $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,|I|+2}$.

Example 6.1. In the case $\ell = 0$ we simply have $r_0 z^0 . \alpha_n = [r_0, \alpha_n]$ in the sense of commutation of operadic compositions in \mathcal{P} .

The formula for the \mathfrak{g} -action is a generalization of the formulas considered in [15, 20, 30, 32], and we refer the reader to these papers for a more detailed introduction to the Givental theory.

Lemma 6.2. *For any $r = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} r_{\ell} z^{\ell} \in \mathfrak{g}$ and any system of classes $\alpha_n \in H^{\bullet}(\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n+1}, \mathbb{C}) \otimes \mathcal{P}(n)$, $n \geq 2$, that satisfies the factorization condition (32), the classes $\alpha_n + \epsilon \cdot r \cdot \alpha_n \in H^{\bullet}(\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n+1}, \mathbb{C}) \otimes \mathcal{P}(n)$ also satisfy the factorization condition (32) in the first order in ϵ .*

Proof. It is a straightforward generalization of Proposition 6.9 in [32]. \square

It follows from Lemma 6.2 that for any morphism $g: \text{Hycomm} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}$ and an arbitrary sequence of elements $r_{\ell} \in \mathcal{P}(1)$, $\ell = 1, 2, \dots$, we obtain a new morphism $\exp(r \cdot)g: \text{Hycomm} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}$, $r = \sum_{\ell=1}^{\infty} r_{\ell} z^{\ell}$, by exponentiation of the infinitesimal Lie algebra action defined above. This means that we define an action of the Lie group $G = \{M(z) \in O(1) \otimes \mathbb{C}[[z]], M(0) = 1\}$ on the space of morphisms $\text{Hycomm} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}$.

6.2. Application to the BV-operad. We consider the morphism $\theta_0: \text{Hycomm} \rightarrow \text{BV}$ that sends the generator \mathfrak{m}_k to the iterated multiplication $m()$, $k \geq 2$. In terms of the infinitesimal Givental action the condition that Δ is the second order operator with respect to the multiplication can be written as

$$(\Delta z^1) \cdot \theta_0 = 0 \quad (34)$$

(it is proved in a bit different terms in [30, Prop. 1]).

The same map θ_0 can be also considered as a map to BV/Δ . In this case, in addition to Eq. (34) we also have

$$\left(\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} z^0 \right) \cdot \theta_0 = 0 \quad (35)$$

(abusing a little bit the notation we think of $\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$ as an element of BV/Δ such that the differential is given by the commutator with this element).

Consider the map $\theta: \text{Hycomm} \rightarrow \text{BV}/\Delta$ defined by $\exp(\phi(z) \cdot) \theta_0$. There are several observations. First of all, just by construction, θ is a morphism of operads. Second, we want to show that θ is a morphism of dg-operads, that is, $(\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} z^0) \cdot \theta = 0$. This follows from the following computation:

$$\left(\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} z^0 \right) \cdot \theta = \left(\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} z^0 \right) \cdot \exp(\phi(z) \cdot) \theta_0 = \exp(\phi(z) \cdot) \left(\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} z^0 + \Delta z^1 \right) \cdot \theta_0 = 0.$$

Here the first equality is the definition of θ , the second one is a consequence of Eq. (2), and the third equality follows from Eqs. (34) and (35).

Thus we see that $\theta(\text{Hycomm}) \subset \mathcal{Q} \subset \text{BV}/\Delta$, where \mathcal{Q} is the suboperad considered in the proof of Theorem 5.8, that is, \mathcal{Q} is the intersection of the kernel of $\Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$ with the suboperad generated by the multiplication and ϕ_i 's, $i = 1, 2, \dots$

In the proof of Theorem 5.8 we observed that \mathcal{Q} is isomorphic to Hycomm . Moreover, a simple degree count shows that the map $\theta: \mathfrak{m}_k \mapsto \theta_k$, $k = 2, 3, \dots$, preserves the degrees. Therefore, θ maps generators to generators, and it is an isomorphism between Hycomm and \mathcal{Q} .

The last observation is that θ is exactly the map constructed in Sect. 1.2 in terms of graphs. This can be observed by an explicit exponentiation of the formula (33), and, for example, it is also explained in [32, Sect. 6.14] and [6]. This completes the proof of Theorem 1.3.

6.3. Homological origin of the Givental action. In this section we explain how the Givental group action emerges naturally via the loop group action on trivializations of Δ .

Consider a finite-dimensional Hycomm -algebra V with zero differential. Let \bar{V} be the corresponding differential graded BV-algebra with the differential d , and we denote by ϕ_i the corresponding additional operators coming from the structure of BV/Δ on \bar{V} .

Consider an arbitrary sequence of endomorphisms $\alpha_i \in \text{End}(V)$. Since the cohomology of \bar{V} coincides with V , we can define a sequence of endomorphisms $\bar{\alpha}_i \in \text{End}(\bar{V})$ such that they commute with the differential on \bar{V} and their restrictions to the cohomology coincide with α_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots$

We have:

$$\exp\left(-\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \bar{\alpha}_i z^i\right) d \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \bar{\alpha}_i z^i\right) = d.$$

Therefore,

$$\exp(-\phi(z)) \exp\left(-\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \bar{\alpha}_i z^i\right) d \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \bar{\alpha}_i z^i\right) \exp(\phi(z)) = d + z\Delta.$$

Thus we see that the sequence of operators ϕ'_i given by the formula

$$\phi'(z) = \sum \phi'_i z^i : = \ln(\exp(\bar{\alpha}(z)) \exp(\phi(z)))$$

defines a new BV/Δ -algebra structure on $(\zeta(V), d)$. This structure induces a new Hycomm -algebra structure on $V = H^\bullet(\bar{V}, d)$.

Theorem 6.3. *The new Hycomm -algebra structure on V coincides with the one obtained by the Givental group action of the element $\exp(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \alpha_i z^i)$ applied to the original Hycomm -algebra.*

Proof. It is easier to compare the infinitesimal deformations. Indeed, assume that $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \bar{\alpha}_i z^i = r_\ell z^\ell$ and we consider the first order deformation in r_ℓ . In this case $\phi'(z) = \phi(z) + r_\ell z^\ell$. Then it is just a tautological observation to see that the corresponding deformation of the formulas for θ_k in Sect. 1.2, $k \geq 2$, is given by Eq. (33). \square

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