

# Superized Troesch complexes and cohomology for strict polynomial superfunctors

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# Category of vector spaces

Let  $k$  be a field (later, characteristic  $p > 0$ , then  $p \geq 3$ ).

Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be the category of finite-dimensional  $k$ -vector spaces.

The symmetric group  $\Sigma_d$  acts on  $V^{\otimes d}$  by place permutation. Set

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## The category $\Gamma^d\mathcal{V}$

Let  $\Gamma^d\mathcal{V}$  be the category whose objects are the same as those in  $\mathcal{V}$ , but in which spaces of morphisms are defined by

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\Gamma^d\mathcal{V}}(V, W) = \Gamma^d \mathrm{Hom}_k(V, W) \cong \mathrm{Hom}_{k\Sigma_d}(V^{\otimes d}, W^{\otimes d}),$$

and composition is that of  $k\Sigma_d$ -module homomorphisms.

# Strict polynomial functors, after Pirashvili

## The category $\mathcal{P}_d$

The category  $\mathcal{P}_d$  of homogeneous degree- $d$  strict polynomial functors is the category of linear functors

$$F : \Gamma^d \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{V},$$

i.e., functors such that for all  $V, W \in \mathcal{V}$ , the function

$$F_{V,W} : \mathbf{Hom}_{k\Sigma_d}(V^{\otimes d}, W^{\otimes d}) \rightarrow \mathbf{Hom}_k(F(V), F(W))$$

is a linear map.

## Examples of homogeneous strict polynomial functors

- $\otimes^d : V \mapsto V^{\otimes d}$   $d$ -th tensor power
- $\Gamma^d : V \mapsto \Gamma^d(V) = (V^{\otimes d})_{\Sigma_d}$   $d$ -th divided power
- $\Lambda^d : V \mapsto \Lambda^d(V)$   $d$ -th exterior power
- $S^d : V \mapsto S^d(V) = (V^{\otimes d})_{\Sigma_d}$   $d$ -th symmetric power
- $\Gamma^{d,W} : V \mapsto \Gamma^d(\mathrm{Hom}_R(W, V))$  projective object in  $\mathcal{P}_d$
- $S_W^d : W \mapsto S^d(W \otimes V)$  injective object in  $\mathcal{P}_d$

Suppose  $k$  is a field of characteristic  $p > 0$ . Let  $r \geq 1$ .

- $l^{(r)} : V \mapsto V^{(r)}$   $r$ -th Frobenius twist,  $l^{(r)} \in \mathcal{P}_{p^r}$

The  $p^r$ -power map induces an embedding  $l^{(r)} \hookrightarrow S^{p^r}$ .

# Why (else) do we care about strict polynomial functors?

## Theorem (Friedlander–Suslin)

Let  $V \in \mathcal{V}$ . If  $\dim_k(V) = n \geq d$ , then evaluation on  $V$

$$F \mapsto F(V)$$

defines an equivalence of categories  $\mathcal{P}_d \simeq S(n, d)\text{-mod}$ .

## Theorem (Friedlander–Suslin)

Extension classes in  $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\bullet}(I^{(r)}, I^{(r)})$  restrict nontrivially to  $GL_n$  and its Frobenius kernel  $GL_{n(r)}$ , and provide generators for the cohomology of finite subgroup schemes of  $GL_{n(r)}$ .

Other extension classes in for strict polynomial functors play a role in more general cohomological finite-generation results by Touzé and van der Kallen.

# Troesch complexes, after Touzé

## Goal

Given  $m, r \geq 1$ , describe an injective resolution in  $\mathcal{P}_{p^r m}$  of  $S^{m(r)}$ .

It's only a 20 minute talk, so let's stick to the case  $r = 1$ .

Let  $\mathbb{III}$  be the graded  $k$ -space with basis  $\mathbb{III}_0, \dots, \mathbb{III}_{p-1}$ ,  $\deg(\mathbb{III}_i) = i$ .

Consider the functor  $S(\mathbb{III} \otimes -) : U \mapsto S(\mathbb{III} \otimes U)$ .

$$S(\mathbb{III} \otimes U) \cong S(\mathbb{III}_0 \otimes U) \otimes S(\mathbb{III}_1 \otimes U) \otimes \cdots \otimes S(\mathbb{III}_{p-1} \otimes U)$$

$S(\mathbb{III} \otimes U)$  inherits an  $\mathbb{N}$ -grading from that on  $\mathbb{III}$ :

$$S^n(\mathbb{III} \otimes U)^\ell \cong \bigoplus_{\substack{i_0+i_1+\dots+i_p=n \\ i_0 \cdot 0 + i_1 \cdot 1 + \dots + i_{p-1} \cdot (p-1) = \ell}} S^{i_0}(U) \otimes S^{i_1}(U) \otimes \cdots \otimes S^{i_{p-1}}(U).$$

## Troesch complexes, after Touzé

Define  $\rho : \mathbb{III} \rightarrow \mathbb{III}$  by  $\rho(\mathbb{III}_i) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{III}_{i+1} & \text{if } 0 \leq i \leq p-2, \\ 0 & \text{if } i = p-1. \end{cases}$

Define  $d : S^n(\mathbb{III} \otimes U)^\ell \rightarrow S^n(\mathbb{III} \otimes U)^{\ell+1}$  to be the composite

$$\begin{aligned} S^n(\mathbb{III} \otimes U) &\xrightarrow{\Delta} S^{n-1}(\mathbb{III} \otimes U) \otimes S^1(\mathbb{III} \otimes U) \\ &\xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes S(\rho \otimes \text{id}_U)} S^{n-1}(\mathbb{III} \otimes U) \otimes S^1(\mathbb{III} \otimes U) \xrightarrow{m} S^n(\mathbb{III} \otimes U). \end{aligned}$$

### Remark

For  $r = 1$ , the map  $d$  is simply the algebra derivation on  $S(\mathbb{III} \otimes U)$  induced by the vector space map  $\rho \otimes \text{id}_U : \mathbb{III} \otimes U \rightarrow \mathbb{III} \otimes U$ .



## Troesch complexes, after Touzé

Now  $d : S^n(\mathbb{III} \otimes -)^\ell \rightarrow S^n(\mathbb{III} \otimes -)^{\ell+1}$  is a  $p$ -differential, i.e.,  $d^p = 0$ .

Then the contraction

$$B_n^\bullet : S^n(\mathbb{III} \otimes -)^0 \xrightarrow{d} S^n(\mathbb{III} \otimes -)^1 \xrightarrow{d^{p-1}} S^n(\mathbb{III} \otimes -)^p \\ \xrightarrow{d} S^n(\mathbb{III} \otimes -)^{p+1} \xrightarrow{d^{p-1}} S^n(\mathbb{III} \otimes -)^{2p} \xrightarrow{d} \dots$$

is an ordinary cochain complex with

$$B_n^{2i} = S^n(\mathbb{III} \otimes -)^{pi} \quad \text{and} \quad B_n^{2i+1} = S^n(\mathbb{III} \otimes -)^{pi+1}.$$

### Theorem (Troesch)

$B_n^\bullet$  is acyclic if  $p \nmid n$ , and is an injective resolution of  $S^{m(1)}$  if  $n = pm$ .

More generally, he constructs an injective resolution of  $S^{m(r)}$ ,  $r \geq 1$ .

Note: For fixed  $n$ , one has  $B_n^i = 0$  for  $i \gg 0$ .

# Why are Troesch complexes the bee's knees?

Yoneda isomorphism, compatible with  $\mathbb{Z}$ -gradings

Let  $F \in \mathcal{P}_m$ . Let  $F^{(1)} = F \circ I^{(1)}$ . Then

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{P}}(F^{(1)}, S^{pm}(\mathbb{III} \otimes -)) \cong F^{\#}(\mathbb{III}^{(1)})$$

is concentrated in  $\mathbb{Z}$ -degrees divisible by  $p$ .

Then  $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{P}}(F^{(1)}, B_{pn}^{\bullet})$  is concentrated in even degrees.

Corollary

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\bullet}(I^{(1)}, I^{(1)}) \cong \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{P}}(I^{(1)}, B_p^{\bullet}) \cong E_1,$$

where  $E_1$  the space  $\mathbb{III}$  regraded so that  $\mathrm{deg}(\mathbb{III}_i) = 2i$  ( $0 \leq i < p$ ).

More generally, Touzé applies Troesch's complexes to give short proofs of Ext-calculations between many twisted functors.

# Strict polynomial superfunctors

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# Category of vector superspaces

Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be the category of finite-dimensional  $k$ -vector superspaces.

$$V = V_{\bar{0}} \oplus V_{\bar{1}}$$

The symmetric group  $\Sigma_d$  acts on  $V^{\otimes d}$  by signed place permutations.

$$V \otimes W \cong W \otimes V, \quad v \otimes w \mapsto (-1)^{\bar{v} \cdot \bar{w}} w \otimes v$$

## The category $\Gamma^d \mathcal{V}$

Let  $\Gamma^d \mathcal{V}$  be the category whose objects are the same as those in  $\mathcal{V}$ , but in which spaces of morphisms are defined by

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\Gamma^d \mathcal{V}}(V, W) = \Gamma^d \mathrm{Hom}_k(V, W) \cong \mathrm{Hom}_{k\Sigma_d}(V^{\otimes d}, W^{\otimes d}),$$

and composition is that of  $k\Sigma_d$ -module homomorphisms.

# Strict polynomial superfunctors, after Axtell

## The category $\mathcal{P}_d$

The category  $\mathcal{P}_d$  of homogeneous degree- $d$  strict polynomial superfunctors is the category of even linear functors

$$F : \Gamma^d \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{V},$$

i.e., functors such that for all  $V, W \in \mathcal{V}$ , the function

$$F_{V,W} : \text{Hom}_{k\Sigma_d}(V^{\otimes d}, W^{\otimes d}) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_k(F(V), F(W))$$

is an even (i.e.,  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -degree preserving) linear map.

# Examples of homogeneous strict polynomial superfunctors

- $\Pi \in \mathcal{P}_1$  parity change functor
- $\Gamma^d : V \mapsto \Gamma^d(V) = (V^{\otimes d})^{\Sigma_d}$   $\Gamma(V) \cong \Gamma(V_{\bar{0}}) \otimes \Lambda(V_{\bar{1}})$
- $A^d : V \mapsto [\text{sgn} \otimes (V^{\otimes d})]^{\Sigma_d}$   $A(V) \cong \Lambda(V_{\bar{0}}) \otimes \Gamma(V_{\bar{1}})$
- $\Lambda^d : V \mapsto \Lambda^d(V)$   $\Lambda(V) \cong \Lambda(V_{\bar{0}}) \otimes S(V_{\bar{1}})$
- $S^d : V \mapsto S^d(V) = (V^{\otimes d})_{\Sigma_d}$   $S(V) \cong S(V_{\bar{0}}) \otimes \Lambda(V_{\bar{1}})$
- $\Gamma^d(\text{Hom}_k(W, -)), A^d(\text{Hom}_k(W, -))$  projective objects
- $S^d(W \otimes -), \Lambda^d(W \otimes -)$  injective objects

For  $r \geq 1$ ,

$$\bullet I^{(r)} = I_0^{(r)} \oplus I_1^{(r)} \quad \text{where} \quad I_0^{(r)}(V) = V_{\bar{0}}^{(r)} \quad \text{and} \quad I_1^{(r)}(V) = V_{\bar{1}}^{(r)}$$

Power maps induce embeddings  $I_0^{(r)} \hookrightarrow S^{p^r}$  and  $I_1^{(r)} \hookrightarrow \Lambda^{p^r}$ .

# Why (else) do we care about strict polynomial superfunctors?

## Theorem (Axtell)

Let  $V \in \mathcal{V}$ . If  $V \cong k^{m|n}$  and  $m, n \geq d$ , then evaluation on  $V$

$$F \mapsto F(V)$$

defines an equivalence of categories  $\mathcal{P}_d \simeq S(m|n, d)\text{-smod}$ .

## Theorem (Drupieski)

Extension classes in  $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\bullet}(I^{(r)}, I^{(r)})$  restrict nontrivially to the affine supergroup scheme  $GL_{m|n}$  and its Frobenius kernel  $GL_{m|n(r)}$ , and together with the generators exhibited by Friedlander and Suslin, give generators for the cohomology of finite supergroup schemes.

Would like to better understand other extension groups in  $\mathcal{P}$ , e.g., between Frobenius twists of classical exponential functors.

# Naive generalization of Troesch's construction

Consider  $\mathbb{III}$  as a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded superspace of purely even superdegree.

For  $U = U_{\bar{0}} \oplus U_{\bar{1}}$ , consider

$$\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{III} \otimes U) \cong \mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{m}_0 \otimes U) \otimes \mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{m}_1 \otimes U) \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{m}_{p-1} \otimes U).$$

Define  $d : \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{III} \otimes U)^\ell \rightarrow \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{III} \otimes U)^{\ell+1}$  exactly as before.

**Cocycles (by virtue of  $d$  being a derivation when  $r = 1$ )**

For  $u \in U_{\bar{0}}$ , get

$$(\mathfrak{m}_0 \otimes u)^p \in \mathcal{S}^p(\mathbb{III} \otimes U)^0.$$

**New for super:** If  $u \in U_{\bar{1}}$ , get

$$u^{(1)} := (\mathfrak{m}_0 \otimes u) \otimes (\mathfrak{m}_1 \otimes u) \otimes \cdots \otimes (\mathfrak{m}_{p-1} \otimes u) \in \mathcal{S}^p(\mathbb{III} \otimes U)^{p(p-1)/2}$$

in the exterior algebra part of  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{III} \otimes U) \cong \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{III} \otimes U_{\bar{0}}) \otimes \Lambda(\mathbb{III} \otimes U_{\bar{1}})$



# Naive generalization of Troesch's construction

Let  $B_n^\bullet$  be the contracted complex of strict polynomial superfunctors

$$B_n^\bullet : S^n(\mathbb{III} \otimes -)^0 \xrightarrow{d} S^n(\mathbb{III} \otimes -)^1 \xrightarrow{d^{p-1}} S^n(\mathbb{III} \otimes -)^p \\ \xrightarrow{d} S^n(\mathbb{III} \otimes -)^{p+1} \xrightarrow{d^{p-1}} S^n(\mathbb{III} \otimes -)^{2p} \xrightarrow{d} \dots$$

## Theorem (Drupieski–Kujawa)

$$H^\bullet(B_n) \cong \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } p \nmid n, \\ S^{m(1)} & \text{if } n = pm. \end{cases}$$

In the latter case, for  $0 \leq \ell \leq m$ , the summand

$$(S^{m-\ell} \circ I_0^{(1)}) \otimes (\Lambda^\ell \circ I_1^{(1)})$$

of  $S^{m(1)}$  is in cohomological degree  $\ell \cdot (p - 1)$ .



# Calculations

## End result of splicing

For all  $r \geq 1$ , construct periodic injective resolutions

$$I_0^{(r)} \rightarrow J(r) \quad \text{and} \quad I_1^{(r)} \rightarrow \bar{J}(r).$$

## Corollary (“quick” recalculation)

$$\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\bullet}(I_0^{(r)}, I_0^{(r)}) \cong \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{P}}(I_0^{(r)}, J(r)) \cong \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} E_r \langle 2np^r \rangle$$

$$\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\bullet}(I_1^{(r)}, I_0^{(r)}) \cong \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{P}}(I_1^{(r)}, J(r)) \cong \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} E_r \langle (2n + 1)p^r \rangle$$

where  $E_r = \bigoplus_{0 \leq i < p^r} k \langle 2i \rangle$ .

# More calculations (after Franjou, Friedlander, Scorichenko, and Suslin)

For  $1 \leq j \leq r$  and  $\ell \in \{0, 1\}$ , set

$$\begin{aligned} V_{j,\ell} &= \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\bullet}(I_{\ell}^{(r)}, S_0^{dp^{r-j}(j)}), & W_{j,\ell} &= \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\bullet}(I_{\ell}^{(r)}, \Lambda_0^{dp^{r-j}(j)}), \\ \bar{V}_{j,\ell} &= \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\bullet}(I_{\ell}^{(r)}, S_1^{dp^{r-j}(j)}), & \bar{W}_{j,\ell} &= \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\bullet}(I_{\ell}^{(r)}, \Lambda_1^{dp^{r-j}(j)}). \end{aligned}$$

Using the superized Troesch complexes in lieu of the de Rham and Koszul complexes:

## Theorem

Let  $\ell \in \{0, 1\}$ . For all  $d \geq 1$  and all  $1 \leq j \leq r$ , the cup product maps

$$\begin{aligned} (V_{j,\ell})^{\otimes d} &\rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\bullet}(\Gamma_{\ell}^{d(r)}, S_0^{dp^{r-j}(j)}), & (W_{j,\ell})^{\otimes d} &\rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\bullet}(\Gamma_{\ell}^{d(r)}, \Lambda_0^{dp^{r-j}(j)}), \\ (\bar{V}_{j,\ell})^{\otimes d} &\rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\bullet}(\Gamma_{\ell}^{d(r)}, S_1^{dp^{r-j}(j)}), & (\bar{W}_{j,\ell})^{\otimes d} &\rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\bullet}(\Gamma_{\ell}^{d(r)}, \Lambda_1^{dp^{r-j}(j)}) \end{aligned}$$

factor to induce isomorphisms of graded vector spaces

$$\begin{aligned} S^d(V_{j,\ell}) &\cong \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\bullet}(\Gamma_{\ell}^{d(r)}, S_0^{dp^{r-j}(j)}), & \Lambda^d(W_{j,\ell}) &\cong \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\bullet}(\Gamma_{\ell}^{d(r)}, \Lambda_0^{dp^{r-j}(j)}), \\ S^d(\bar{V}_{j,\ell}) &\cong \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\bullet}(\Gamma_{\ell}^{d(r)}, S_1^{dp^{r-j}(j)}), & \Lambda^d(\bar{W}_{j,\ell}) &\cong \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\bullet}(\Gamma_{\ell}^{d(r)}, \Lambda_1^{dp^{r-j}(j)}). \end{aligned}$$