

## The first order cyclic cohomology group of some commutative semigroup algebras

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### ملخص باللغة العربية

في هذه الورقة سنحسب زمرة الكوهومولوجي الدائرية من الرتبة الأولى  $\mathcal{HC}^1(\ell^1(S), \ell^\infty(S))$  حيث  $S$  هي شبه زمرة تبديلية وقابلة للاختصار صفريا ومرفقة بعنصر وحدة.

### Abstract

In this paper, we shall calculate the first order cyclic cohomology group  $\mathcal{HC}^1(\ell^1(S), \ell^\infty(S))$  where  $S$  is a certain commutative, 0-cancellative,  $nil^\#$ -semigroup.

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### 1 Introduction

We follow (Dales, 2000) and (Ghlaio, 2018) to recall some definitions and some preliminaries regarding the theory of Banach Algebras, Cyclic

Cohomology and the commutative semigroup algebras  $\ell^1(S)$ , where  $S$  is a commutative, 0-cancellative,  $nil^\#$ -semigroup, as also introduced in (Read, 2011).

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a Banach algebra, and let  $X$  be a Banach  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule. A linear map  $D: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow X$  is a *derivation* if it satisfies the equation:

$$D(ab) = a \cdot Db + Da \cdot b \quad (a, b \in \mathcal{A}).$$

In this paper we shall only consider bounded derivations. Given  $x \in X$  and define the map  $\delta_x: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow X$  by the equation:

$$\delta_x(a) = a \cdot x - x \cdot a \quad (a \in \mathcal{A}).$$

These derivations are *inner* derivations.

Let  $X^*$  be the *dual space* of  $X$ . Then  $X^*$  is a Banach  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule with respect to the operations given by

$$\langle x, a \cdot \lambda \rangle = \langle x \cdot a, \lambda \rangle \quad \text{and} \quad \langle x, \lambda \cdot a \rangle = \langle a \cdot x, \lambda \rangle \quad (a \in \mathcal{A}, x \in X, \lambda \in X^*).$$

A Banach algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  is *amenable* if every bounded derivation  $D$  from  $\mathcal{A}$  into a dual Banach  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule  $X^*$  is inner, for each Banach  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule  $X$ . A Banach algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  is a Banach  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule over itself. Then a Banach algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  is *weakly amenable* if every bounded derivation  $D: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}^*$  is inner.

A linear map  $T: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}^*$  is cyclic if  $T(a_1)(a_0) = (-1)T(a_0)(a_1)$  for all

$a_0, a_1 \in \mathcal{A}$  ; in other words,  $\langle a_0, T(a_1) \rangle + \langle a_1, T(a_0) \rangle = 0 \quad (a_0, a_1 \in \mathcal{A})$  .  
In particular,  $\langle a, T(a) \rangle = 0 \quad (a \in \mathcal{A})$  .

The space of all bounded, cyclic derivations from  $\mathcal{A}$  to  $\mathcal{A}^*$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{ZC}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}^*)$ , and the set of all cyclic inner derivations from  $\mathcal{A}$  to  $\mathcal{A}^*$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{NC}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}^*)$ . It can be seen that every inner derivation is cyclic, and so  $\mathcal{NC}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}^*) = \mathcal{N}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}^*)$ . The *first-order cyclic cohomology group* is defined by

$$\mathcal{HC}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}^*) = \mathcal{ZC}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}^*) / \mathcal{NC}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}^*) = \mathcal{ZC}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}^*) / \mathcal{N}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}^*) .$$

Let  $S$  be a non-empty set, and let  $s$  be an element of  $S$ . The characteristic function of  $\{s\}$  is denoted by  $\delta_s$ . We define the *Banach space*

$$\ell^1(S) := \{f: S \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \quad f = \sum_{s \in S} \alpha_s \delta_s, \sum_{s \in S} |\alpha_s| < \infty\} ,$$

where  $\|f\| = \sum_{s \in S} |\alpha_s| < \infty$  .

□

The *dual space* of  $\mathcal{A} = \ell^1(S)$  is  $\mathcal{A}^* = \ell^\infty(S)$ , where

$$\ell^\infty(S) = \left\{ f: S \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \quad \|f\| = \sup_{s \in S} |f(s)| < \infty \right\} ,$$

with the duality given by:

$$\langle f, \lambda \rangle = \sum_{s \in S} f(s) \lambda(s) \quad (f \in \ell^1(S), \lambda \in \ell^\infty(S)) .$$

Let  $S$  be a semigroup. Then the *convolution product* of two elements  $f$  and  $g$  in the Banach space  $\ell^1(S)$  is defined by the formula:

$$f * g = (\sum_{s \in S} \alpha_s \delta_s) * (\sum_{t \in S} \beta_t \delta_t) = \sum \{(\sum_{st=r \in S} \alpha_s \beta_t) \delta_r\}.$$

The inner sum will vanish if there are no  $s$  and  $t$  such that  $st = r$ .

Clearly,  $(\ell^1(S), *)$  is a Banach algebra; it is called the *semigroup algebra* of  $S$ .

We shall need to use the following remark:

**Remark 1.1** Let  $S$  be a semigroup, and take  $g$  to be a function on  $S \times S$ .

For  $a, b \in S$ , define

$$T_g(\delta_a, \delta_b) = g(a, b),$$

and then extend  $T_g$  to be a bilinear function on  $\ell_0^1(S) \times \ell_0^1(S)$ . In the case where  $g$  is bounded by  $M$ ,  $T_g$  extends to a bounded, bilinear functional on  $\ell^1(S) \times \ell^1(S)$ .

Explicitly,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| T_g \left( \sum_i \alpha_i \delta_{a_i}, \sum_j \beta_j \delta_{b_j} \right) \right| &= \left| \sum_{i,j} \alpha_i \beta_j g(a_i, b_j) \right| \leq \\ M \sum_i |\alpha_i| \sum_j |\beta_j|. \end{aligned}$$

Now define  $\tilde{T}_g: \ell^1(S) \rightarrow \ell^\infty(S)$  by

$$\langle h, \tilde{T}_g(f) \rangle = T_g(f, h) \quad (f, h \in \ell^1(S)).$$

Then  $\tilde{T}_g$  is a bounded linear map and

$$\langle \delta_b, \tilde{T}_g(\delta_a) \rangle = g(a, b) \quad (a, b \in S).$$

Throughout the paper,  $S$  denotes a countable commutative  $nil^\#$ -semigroup which is the unitization of a nil semigroup  $S^-$  (that is, a semigroup  $S^-$  with zero such that for all  $x \in S^-$ , there is an  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $x^n = o$ ), and which is zero-cancellative (that is, for all  $a, b, c \in S$ ,  $ab = ac \neq o$  implies  $b = c$ ).

Let  $S$  be the semigroup  $T_n = \{e, a, a^2, \dots, a^{n-1}, a^n = o\}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $n \geq 2$ . We note that  $T_n$  is finite, commutative, 0-cancellative,  $nil^\#$ -semigroup. From now on we fix the notation  $\mathcal{A}_n$  for the semigroup algebra  $\ell^1(T_n)$ .

In our paper we shall prove that  $\mathcal{HC}^1(\mathcal{A}_n, \mathcal{A}_n^*) = \{0\}$ .

**Lemma 1.2** *Let  $D: \mathcal{A}_n \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_n^*$  be a derivation. Then*

$$D(\delta_a) = \lambda_e \delta_e^* + \lambda_1 \delta_a^* + \dots + \lambda_{n-2} \delta_{a^{n-2}}^* \quad (1.1)$$

for some  $\lambda_e, \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{n-2} \in \mathbb{C}$ . Each such  $D$  gives a unique derivation.

**Proof** Note that for  $r < n$  and for  $a, b \in S$ , we have

$$\langle \delta_b, \delta_{a^k} \cdot \delta_{a^r}^* \rangle = \langle \delta_{a^k \cdot b}, \delta_{a^r}^* \rangle = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } r < k \\ \langle \delta_b, \delta_{a^{r-k}}^* \rangle & \text{if } r \geq k \end{cases}$$

Indeed we see that

$$\delta_a^k \cdot \delta_{a^r}^* = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } r < k \\ \delta_{a^{r-k}}^* & \text{if } r \geq k \end{cases}$$

When  $r = n$ , we have that  $\delta_{a^k} \cdot \delta_o^* = \delta_o^* + \delta_{a^{n-1}}^* + \cdots + \delta_{a^{n-k}}^*$ .

Suppose that  $D: \mathcal{A}_n \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_n^*$  is a derivation (automatically continuous because  $\mathcal{A}_n$  is finite dimensional).

So we see that  $D(\delta_e) = 0$  because  $\delta_e$  is an idempotent. If  $D(\delta_a)$  is as in (1.1), then we will have (for all  $k > 0$ )

$$\begin{aligned} D(\delta_{a^k}) &= k\delta_{a^{k-1}} \cdot D(\delta_a) \\ &= k\delta_{a^{k-1}} \cdot (\lambda_e \delta_e^* + \cdots + \lambda_{n-2} \delta_{a^{n-2}}^*) \\ &= k \cdot \sum_{r=k-1}^{n-2} \lambda_r \delta_{a^{r-k+1}}^* . \end{aligned}$$

These equations are consistent, because when  $k \geq n$  we have that  $D(\delta_{a^k}) = 0 = D(\delta_o)$ .

We must have that  $D(\sum_{k=0}^n \lambda_k \delta_{a^k}) = \sum_{k=0}^n \lambda_k D(\delta_{a^k})$ . We then see that

$$\begin{aligned} D(\delta_{a^k} \cdot \delta_{a^l}) &= D(\delta_{a^{k+l}}) = (k+l)\delta_{a^{k+l-1}} \cdot D(\delta_a) = \delta_{a^k} \cdot D(\delta_{a^l}) + \\ &D(\delta_{a^k}) \cdot \delta_{a^l} \end{aligned}$$

for all  $k, l > 0$  and in fact even when  $k$  or  $l$  is zero. So  $D$  is a derivation.

Conversely, if  $D: \mathcal{A}_n \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_n^*$  is a derivation then the most general conceivable form for  $D(\delta_a)$  is  $D(\delta_a) = \lambda_e \delta_e^* + \sum_{r=1}^n \lambda_r \delta_{a^r}^*$  however we will need (since  $\delta_{a^n} = \delta_o$  is idempotent)

$$0 = D(\delta_{a^n}) = n\delta_{a^{n-1}} \cdot D(\delta_a) = \lambda_{n-1}\delta_e^* + \lambda_n(\delta_o^* + \delta_a^* + \cdots + \delta_{a^{n-1}}^*)$$

so  $\lambda_{n-1} = \lambda_n = 0$ .

Thus the lemma is proved.

## 2 The main result

Now we shall prove our result in the following Theorem

**Theorem 2.1** *Let  $\mathcal{A}_n = \ell^1(T_n)$ , where  $n \geq 2$ . Then  $\mathcal{HC}^1(\mathcal{A}_n, \mathcal{A}_n^*) = \{0\}$ .*

**Proof** Take a derivation  $D: \mathcal{A}_n \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_n^*$ . Then  $D$  is bounded because the semigroup algebra  $\mathcal{A}_n$  is finite dimensional.

We have  $D(\delta_e) = D(\delta_o) = 0$ , and, by Lemma 1.2, we have

$$D(\delta_a) = \lambda_e\delta_e^* + \lambda_1\delta_a^* + \cdots + \lambda_{n-2}\delta_{a^{n-2}}^*$$

for some  $\lambda_e, \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{n-2} \in \mathbb{C}$ .

We know that  $D$  is cyclic if and only if satisfies the equation:

$$\langle f, D(g) \rangle + \langle g, D(f) \rangle = 0 \quad (f, g \in \mathcal{A}). \quad (2.1)$$

Take  $f = \delta_{a^k}$  and  $g = \delta_a$  for  $k = 0, \dots, n-1$ , where  $a^0 = e$  and  $\delta_{a^0} = \delta_e$ .

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f, D(g) \rangle + \langle g, D(f) \rangle &= \langle \delta_{a^k}, D(\delta_a) \rangle + \langle \delta_a, D(\delta_{a^k}) \rangle \\ &= \langle \delta_{a^k}, D(\delta_a) \rangle + \langle \delta_a, k\delta_{a^{k-1}}D(\delta_a) \rangle \\ &= \langle \delta_{a^k}, D(\delta_a) \rangle + k\langle \delta_a, \delta_{a^{k-1}}D(\delta_a) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$= (k + 1)\langle \delta_{a^k}, D(\delta_a) \rangle,$$

and so, by (2.1), we have

$$\langle \delta_{a^k}, \lambda_e \delta_e^* + \lambda_1 \delta_a^* + \cdots + \lambda_k \delta_{a^k}^* + \cdots + \lambda_{n-2} \delta_{a^{n-2}}^* \rangle = 0,$$

hence  $\lambda_k = 0$  for all  $k = 0, \dots, n - 2$ . So  $D = 0$ . Therefore  $\mathcal{H}\mathcal{C}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}^*) = \{0\}$ . Thus the theorem is proved.

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