

## GRÖBNER BASES OF ASSOCIATIVE ALGEBRAS AND THE HOCHSCHILD COHOMOLOGY

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**ABSTRACT.** We give an algorithmic way to construct a free bimodule resolution of an algebra admitting a Gröbner base. It enables us to compute the Hochschild (co)homology of the algebra. Let  $A$  be a finitely generated algebra over a commutative ring  $K$  with a (possibly infinite) Gröbner base  $G$  on a free algebra  $F$ , that is,  $A$  is the quotient  $F/I(G)$  with the ideal  $I(G)$  of  $F$  generated by  $G$ . Given a Gröbner base  $H$  for an  $A$ -subbimodule  $L$  of the free  $A$ -bimodule  $A \cdot X \cdot A = A_K \otimes K \cdot X \otimes_K A$  generated by a set  $X$ , we have a morphism  $\partial$  of  $A$ -bimodules from the free  $A$ -bimodule  $A \cdot H \cdot A$  generated by  $H$  to  $A \cdot X \cdot A$  sending the generator  $[h]$  to the element  $h \in H$ . We construct a Gröbner base  $C$  on  $F \cdot H \cdot F$  for the  $A$ -subbimodule  $\text{Ker}(\partial)$  of  $A \cdot H \cdot A$ , and with this  $C$  we have the free  $A$ -bimodule  $A \cdot C \cdot A$  generated by  $C$  and an exact sequence  $A \cdot C \cdot A \rightarrow A \cdot H \cdot A \rightarrow A \cdot X \cdot A$ . Applying this construction inductively to the  $A$ -bimodule  $A$  itself, we have a free  $A$ -bimodule resolution of  $A$ .

### 1. INTRODUCTION

The Gröbner base theory for polynomial rings has been developed since Buchberger [5], and has found vast fields of application. It is a central technique used in the computational theory of polynomial rings and algebraic geometry ([2], [5], [8]). Many authors have tried to generalize the theory to more general rings. For example, Mora [21] developed a Gröbner base theory for general associative algebras (the idea already appeared in Bergman [3]). But a shortcoming of the theory on non-commutative ring is that a finitely generated ideal may not have a *finite* Gröbner base, and so the Buchberger algorithm does not converge in general (see [9]). Some authors (for example Kandre-Rody and Weispfenning [13], see also [18]) developed the theory for certain restricted types of rings for which the Buchberger algorithm works. But even if an ideal has no finite Gröbner base, if it has an infinite (but well-behaved in some sense) one, it is sometimes useful.

In the present paper we consider a possibly infinite Gröbner base  $G$  on a free algebra  $F$  over a commutative ring  $K$ . We give an algorithmic way to construct a free bimodule resolution over the quotient algebra  $A = F/I(G)$ , where  $I(G)$  is the ideal of  $F$  generated by  $G$ . It enables us to compute the Hochschild cohomology (Hochschild [11]) of  $A$ . In the construction Gröbner bases on free  $F$ -bimodules play a crucial role. We discuss Gröbner bases on free algebras and on free bimodules from a stand point of rewriting systems. Actually, the theory of Gröbner bases and

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that of rewriting systems are considered to be equivalent (in certain situations, see for example Madlener and Reinert [20]).

Let  $G$  be a set of monic elements of a free algebra  $F$  over  $K$ , here  $f \in F$  is monic if the coefficient of the leading term  $\text{lt}(f)$  of  $f$  with respect to some fixed term order is 1.  $G$  is a Gröbner base of the ideal  $I(G)$  if the associated system  $R_G = \{\text{lt}(g) \rightarrow -\text{rt}(g) \mid g \in G\}$  is a complete (noetherian and confluent) rewriting system, where  $\text{rt}(g) = g - \text{lt}(g)$ . If  $K$  is a field, every ideal of  $F$  admits a (possibly infinite) Gröbner base.

Let  $A$  be an algebra over  $K$  admitting a Gröbner base  $G$  on  $F$ , that is,  $A$  is the quotient  $F/I(G)$ . Moreover, we consider a Gröbner base  $H$  for an  $A$ -subbimodule  $L$  of the free  $A$ -bimodule  $A \cdot X \cdot A = A_K \otimes K \cdot X \otimes_K A$  generated by a set  $X$ .  $H$  is a generating set for  $L$  of monic elements in the free  $F$ -bimodule  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  generated by  $X$  such that the system  $T_H = \{\text{lt}(h) \rightarrow -\text{rt}(h) \mid h \in H\}$  is a complete rewriting system on  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  modulo  $G$  (see Section 3 for a precise definition). We have a morphism  $\partial$  of  $A$ -bimodules from the free  $A$ -bimodule  $A \cdot H \cdot A$  generated by  $H$  to  $A \cdot X \cdot A$  given by  $\partial([h]) = h$ , where  $[h]$  is the formal generator corresponding to  $h \in H$ .

The key technique in this paper lies in a construction of a Gröbner base  $C$  on  $F \cdot H \cdot F$  for the  $A$ -subbimodule  $\text{Ker}(\partial)$  of  $A \cdot H \cdot A$  (Section 5). This  $C$  is made from the critical pairs of reductions on  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  with respect to  $H$  and  $G$ , and thus, if  $G$  and  $H$  are effectively given,  $C$  can be effectively constructed. With this  $C$  we have the free  $A$ -bimodule  $A \cdot C \cdot A$  generated by  $C$  and an exact sequence  $A \cdot C \cdot A \rightarrow A \cdot H \cdot A \rightarrow A \cdot X \cdot A$  (Section 6). Applying this construction inductively to the  $A$ -bimodule  $A$  itself, we have a free  $A$ -bimodule resolution of  $A$  (Section 7). This is considered to be a two-sided version of the construction given by Anick [1] (see also Kobayashi [16]), and, when  $A$  is supplemented, taking the functor  $\otimes_A K$  on the right-hand side of our resolution yields a left free resolution of the left  $A$ -module  $K$ . The last section is devoted to exhibit some examples which show the effectiveness of our methods.

The technique developed in this paper on free algebras and free bimodules can be generalized to path algebras and projective bimodules. This will be discussed in a forthcoming paper.

## 2. GRÖBNER BASES FOR ALGEBRAS

Let  $\Sigma$  be a (finite) alphabet and let  $\Sigma^*$  be the free monoid generated by  $\Sigma$ , that is,  $\Sigma^*$  is the set of words over  $\Sigma$  and the monoid operation of it is given by the concatenation of words. The empty word, denoted by 1 in this paper, is the identity element of  $\Sigma^*$ . The set of words of length  $n$  and the set of words of length  $\leq n$  are denoted by  $\Sigma^n$  and  $\Sigma^{\leq n}$ , respectively, that is,  $\Sigma^n = \{x \in \Sigma^* \mid |x| = n\}$  and  $\Sigma^{\leq n} = \{x \in \Sigma^* \mid |x| \leq n\}$ , where  $|x|$  denotes the length of a word  $x$ . Accordingly,  $\Sigma^0 = \{1\}$ ,  $\Sigma^1 = \Sigma$ ,  $\Sigma^{\leq n} = \bigcup_{0 \leq i \leq n} \Sigma^i$ , and  $\Sigma^* = \bigcup_{0 \leq i} \Sigma^i$ .

Let  $K$  be a commutative ring with 1 and let  $F = K \cdot \Sigma^*$  be the free (associative) algebra generated by  $\Sigma$  over  $K$ .  $F$  is the free  $K$ -module spanned by  $\Sigma^*$  with the multiplication induced by the monoid operation of  $\Sigma^*$ . An element  $f$  of  $F$  is uniquely written as

$$(1) \quad f = \sum_{i=1}^n k_i x_i$$

with  $k_i \in K \setminus \{0\}$  and different elements  $x_i$  in  $\Sigma^*$ . We fix a compatible well-order  $\succ$  on  $\Sigma^*$ , that is,  $\succ$  is a (strict) total order on  $\Sigma^*$  such that there is no infinite decreasing sequence  $x_1 \succ x_2 \succ \dots$  and for any  $x, y, z \in \Sigma^*$ ,  $x \succ y$  implies  $xz \succ yz$  and  $zx \succ zy$ . A typical such order is the *length-lexicographic order*  $\succ_{\text{lex}}$ , namely,  $x \succ_{\text{lex}} y$  if either  $|x| > |y|$ , or  $|x| = |y|$  and  $y$  is smaller than  $x$  in the lexicographic order based on a pre-given linear order on  $\Sigma$ .

Let  $f$  be an element of  $F$  written as (1). If  $x_1$  is the maximal among  $x_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ) with respect to  $\succ$ ,  $k_1x_1$  is called the *leading term* of  $f$  and denoted by  $\text{lt}(f)$ . Let  $\text{rt}(f) = f - \text{lt}(f)$ . We extend the order  $\succ$  on  $\Sigma^*$  to a (partial) order on  $F$ , which is also denoted by  $\succ$ , as follows. First,  $f \succ 0$  for any  $f \neq 0$ . Let  $f$  and  $g$  be nonzero elements in  $F$  and let  $\text{lt}(f) = k \cdot x$  and  $\text{lt}(g) = \ell \cdot y$  with  $k, \ell \in K \setminus \{0\}$  and  $x, y \in \Sigma^*$ . Define  $f \succ g$  if and only if either  $x \succ y$  or  $x = y$  and  $\text{rt}(f) \succ \text{rt}(g)$ . It is easy to see that  $\succ$  is also well-founded on  $F$ , that is, there is no infinite sequence  $f_1 \succ f_2 \succ \dots$  in  $F$ .

A (*monic*) *rewriting rule* is a pair  $(u, v)$ , where  $u \in \Sigma^*$  and  $v \in F$  with  $u \succ v$ . A rule  $(u, v)$  is written as  $u \rightarrow v$ . A (*monic*) *rewriting system*  $R$  is a (not necessarily finite) set of rewriting rules. If  $f \in F$  has a nonzero term  $k \cdot x$  and  $x = x_1ux_2$  with  $x_1, x_2 \in \Sigma^*$  and  $u \rightarrow v \in R$ , the rule  $u \rightarrow v$  can be applied to  $f$  and  $f$  is transformed (or rewritten) to  $g = f - k \cdot x_1(u - v)x_2$ . In this situation we write  $f \rightarrow_R g$ , and we call  $\rightarrow_R$  the *one-step reduction* by  $R$ .

Let  $\rightarrow_R^*$  denote the reflexive transitive closure of the one-step reduction relation  $\rightarrow_R$ , and let  $\leftrightarrow_R^*$  be the reflexive symmetric and transitive closure of  $\rightarrow_R$ . Set  $G_R = \{u - v \mid u \rightarrow v \in R\}$ , and let  $I(R)$  be the (two-sided) ideal of  $F$  generated by  $G_R$ .

Here we depict the following basic results.

**Proposition 2.1.** *The relation  $\leftrightarrow_R^*$  is equal to the congruence on  $F$  modulo  $I(R)$ , that is,*

$$f \leftrightarrow_R^* g \Leftrightarrow f \equiv g \pmod{I(R)}$$

for  $f, g \in F$ . In particular,

$$f \leftrightarrow_R^* 0 \Leftrightarrow f \equiv 0 \pmod{I(R)}$$

for  $f \in F$ , that is,

$$I(R) = \{f \in F \mid f \leftrightarrow_R^* 0\}.$$

The quotient algebra  $A = F/I(R) = F/\leftrightarrow_R^*$  is said to be *defined by* the rewriting system  $R$ . Two rewriting systems  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  on  $F$  are *equivalent* if  $\leftrightarrow_{R_1}^* = \leftrightarrow_{R_2}^*$ . The equivalent systems define the same quotient, and thus, by Proposition 2.1,  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are equivalent if and only if  $I(R_1) = I(R_2)$ .

If  $f \rightarrow_R g$ , then, as easily seen,  $f \succ g$  by the compatibility of  $\succ$ . Since  $\succ$  is well-founded, the relation  $\rightarrow_R$  is *noetherian (terminating)*, that is, there is no infinite sequence  $f_1 \rightarrow_R f_2 \rightarrow_R \dots \rightarrow_R f_n \rightarrow_R \dots$  in  $F$ . If two elements  $f$  and  $g$  of  $F$  have a common  $R$ -descendant, that is, there is  $h \in F$  such that  $f \rightarrow_R^* h$  and  $g \rightarrow_R^* h$ , we say that  $f \downarrow_R g$  holds.  $R$  is called *confluent* if for any  $f, g, h \in F$  such that  $h \rightarrow_R^* f$  and  $h \rightarrow_R^* g$ ,  $f \downarrow_R g$  holds. In general, a noetherian and confluent system is called *complete*, but in our situation here, a confluent system is complete because a rewriting system we consider is always noetherian.

**Lemma 2.2.** For  $f, g \in F$ ,  $f - g \rightarrow_R^* 0$  implies  $f \downarrow_R g$ .

*Proof.* Let  $h = f - g$  and suppose  $h \rightarrow_R^* 0$ . We shall show  $f \downarrow_R g$  by induction on  $h$  with respect to the well-order  $\succ$ . If  $h = 0$ , then  $f = g$  and  $f \downarrow_R g$  trivially holds. If  $h \neq 0$ , then  $h \rightarrow_R h' \rightarrow_R^* 0$ , where  $h$  has a term  $k \cdot x$  with  $k \in K \setminus \{0\}$  and  $x \in \Sigma^*$  such that  $x \rightarrow_R x'$  and  $h' = h - k \cdot (x - x')$ . Because  $h = f - g$ , we have  $k = k_1 - k_2$ , where  $k_1 \cdot x$  and  $k_2 \cdot x$  are terms of  $f$  and  $g$  respectively (one of  $k_1, k_2 \in K$  is possibly zero). Let  $f' = f - k_1(x - x')$  and  $g' = g - k_2(x - x')$ , then,  $f \rightarrow_R f'$  (or  $f = f'$  if  $k_1 = 0$ ),  $g \rightarrow_R g'$  (or  $g = g'$  if  $k_2 = 0$ ) and  $h' = f' - g'$ . Since  $h \succ h'$ , we see  $f' \downarrow_R g'$  by the induction hypothesis, and consequently we have  $f \downarrow_R g$ .  $\square$

The converse implication in Lemma 2.2 is not true in general. For example, consider the rewriting system  $R = \{ab \rightarrow a, ba \rightarrow b\}$  over the alphabet  $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$  and let  $f = aba + a$  and  $g = aba + aa$ . Then,  $f \rightarrow_R aa + a$  and  $g \rightarrow_R ab + aa \rightarrow_R a + aa$ , that is,  $f \downarrow_R g$  holds. But  $f - g = a - aa$  cannot be reduced to 0. However, if  $R$  is confluent, the converse is also true (see Proposition 2.3 below).

An element  $f$  in  $F$  is *irreducible* ( $R$ -irreducible to specify  $R$ ) if there is no  $g$  such that  $f \rightarrow_R g$ . In particular, an irreducible monic monomial  $x \in \Sigma^*$  is called an *irreducible word*, and  $\text{Irr}(R)$  denotes the set of irreducible words. Clearly,  $\text{Irr}(R) = \Sigma^* \setminus \Sigma^* \cdot \text{Dom}(R) \cdot \Sigma^*$ , where  $\text{Dom}(R) = \{u \mid u \rightarrow v \in R\}$ , and  $f \in F$  is irreducible if and only if  $f$  is a  $K$ -linear combination of irreducible words. An element  $f \in F$  is  $R$ -reducible if it is not  $R$ -irreducible. A word  $x$  is a *minimal  $R$ -reducible word* if it is  $R$ -reducible but any proper prefix of  $x$  is  $R$ -irreducible.

Since  $R$  is noetherian, for any  $f \in F$  there is an irreducible  $\hat{f} \in F$  such that  $f \rightarrow_R^* \hat{f}$ . If, moreover,  $R$  is confluent (so complete), such an  $\hat{f}$  is unique and is called the *normal form* of  $f$ , and, as is well known in the theory of rewriting systems,  $f \leftrightarrow_R^* g$  if and only if  $\hat{f} = \hat{g}$  (Proposition 2.3 below).

A subset  $G$  of  $F$  is *monic* if every  $g \in G$  is monic, that is, the leading coefficient of  $g$  is 1. Let  $I$  be an ideal of  $F$ . A set  $G$  of generators of  $I$  is called a *Gröbner base* of  $I$ , if it is monic and the system  $R_G = \{\text{lt}(g) \rightarrow -\text{rt}(g) \mid g \in G\}$  associated with  $G$  is a complete rewriting system. We usually confuse a Gröbner base  $G$  with the associated rewriting system  $R_G$ . Accordingly, when we write  $g = u - v \in G$ , we implicitly assume that  $u = \text{lt}(g)$  and  $v = -\text{rt}(g)$ , and we just write  $\rightarrow_G$  for the relation  $\rightarrow_{R_G}$ , for example. We say  $f \in F$  is  $G$ -irreducible if it is  $R_G$ -irreducible, and  $\text{Dom}(G)$  and  $\text{Irr}(G)$  denote  $\text{Dom}(R_G)$  and  $\text{Irr}(R_G)$  respectively.

We depict the fundamental results on complete rewriting systems and Gröbner bases as follows (see [2], [4], [6], [8]).

**Proposition 2.3.** Let  $G$  be a Gröbner base of an ideal  $I$  of  $F$ , let  $A = F/I$  be the quotient algebra of  $F$  by  $I$ , and let  $\rho: F \rightarrow A$  be the canonical surjection. Then,  $\rho$  is injective on  $\text{Irr}(G)$  and  $\rho(\text{Irr}(G))$  forms a linear  $K$ -base of  $A = F/I$ . Any  $f$  has the unique normal form  $\hat{f}$ , and we have

$$\hat{f} = \hat{g} \Leftrightarrow f \leftrightarrow_G^* g \Leftrightarrow f - g \rightarrow_G^* 0 \Leftrightarrow \rho(f) = \rho(g)$$

for any  $f, g \in F$ . In particular, we have

$$I = \{f \in F \mid \hat{f} = 0\} = \{f \in F \mid f \rightarrow_G^* 0\}.$$

**Corollary 2.4.** *If  $G$  is a Gröbner base, the mapping  $\hat{\cdot}$  sending  $f \in F$  to the normal form  $\hat{f} \in F$  is  $K$ -linear;*

$$(k \cdot f + \ell \cdot g)^{\hat{\cdot}} = k \cdot \hat{f} + \ell \cdot \hat{g}$$

for  $k, \ell \in K$  and  $f, g \in F$ .

An algebra  $A$  over  $K$  is said to admit a Gröbner base if it is isomorphic to the quotient  $F/I$  of some finitely generated free algebra  $F$  over  $K$  modulo an ideal  $I$  with a Gröbner base. By Proposition 2.3 we have

**Corollary 2.5.** *An algebra over  $K$  admitting a Gröbner base is free as a  $K$ -module.*

**Example 2.6.** (1) A finitely generated algebra  $A$  over a field  $K$  admits a Gröbner base. In fact, any ideal  $I$  of a free algebra  $F = K\Sigma^*$  over  $K$  has a Gröbner base with respect to a fixed compatible well-order  $\succ$  on  $\Sigma^*$ . If  $x \in \Sigma^*$  is a linear combination of  $x_i \in \Sigma^*$  with  $x_i \prec x$  over  $K$  modulo  $I$ ;

$$x = \sum k_i x_i \pmod{I}, \quad k_i \in K \setminus \{0\},$$

choose one such combination and consider the element  $x - \sum k_i x_i$ . Let  $G$  be the set of all such elements. Then,  $G$  is a Gröbner base of  $I$ .

(2) A monoid algebra  $A = K \cdot M$  of a finitely generated monoid  $M$  over a commutative ring  $K$  admits a Gröbner base. Let  $\Sigma$  be a set of generators and  $\rho: \Sigma^* \rightarrow M$  the surjection. Let  $I$  be the kernel of the natural morphism  $K\Sigma^* \rightarrow A$  induced by  $\rho$ . For  $x \in \Sigma^*$ ,  $\hat{x}$  denotes the minimal element in  $\Sigma^*$  with respect to a fixed well-order  $\succ$  on  $\Sigma^*$  in the congruence class  $\rho^{-1}(\rho(x))$  of  $x$ . Then,  $G = \{x - \hat{x} \mid x \in \Sigma^*, x \neq \hat{x}\}$  forms a Gröbner base of  $I$ .

(3) The enveloping algebra  $A$  of a Lie algebra  $L$  over  $K$  ( $L$  is free as a  $K$ -module) admits a Gröbner base. Let  $\Sigma$  be a linear base of  $L$  over  $K$ . Then,  $A = K\Sigma^*/I$  for an ideal  $I$  of  $K\Sigma^*$ . Let  $>$  be a linear order on  $\Sigma$ . Then,  $G = \{ab - ba - [a, b] \mid a, b \in \Sigma, a > b\}$  forms a Gröbner base of  $I$ .

*Remark 2.7.* In Example 2.6, the Gröbner bases  $G$  in (1) and (2) are usually infinite. The Gröbner base in (3) is finite if  $\Sigma$  is finite.

Let  $R$  be a rewriting system on  $F = K\Sigma^*$ . Let  $u_1 \rightarrow v_1, u_2 \rightarrow v_2 \in R$ . Suppose  $u_1$  overlaps properly with  $u_2$ , that is,  $u_1 = u'_1 z, u_2 = z u'_2$  with  $u'_1, u'_2, z (\neq 1) \in \Sigma^*$ . We have two reductions  $p_1: u_1 u'_2 \rightarrow v_1 u'_2$  and  $p_2: u'_1 u_2 \rightarrow u'_1 v_2$  applying the rules to  $u_1 u'_2 = u'_1 u_2$  in two different ways. We call  $(v_1 u'_2, u'_1 v_2)$  a *critical pair of elements of overlapping type* and  $(p_1, p_2)$  a *critical pair of reductions*. Next suppose  $u_1$  contains  $u_2$  as a subword, that is,  $u_1 = u' u_2 u''$  with  $u', u'' \in \Sigma^*$ . Applying the rules to  $u_1$  in two ways, we have a *critical pair*  $(v_1, u' v_2 u'')$  of elements of *inclusion type* and a critical pair  $(u_1 \rightarrow v_1, u' u_2 u'' \rightarrow u' v_2 u'')$  of reductions. For a critical pair  $(x_1, x_2)$  of elements the difference  $x_1 - x_2$  is called an  *$S$ -polynomial*. A critical pair  $(x_1, x_2)$  is *resolvable* if  $x_1 \downarrow_R x_2$ .

Since our system  $R$  is noetherian,  $R$  is complete, if it is locally confluent, that is, for any  $f, g, h \in F$ ,  $h \rightarrow f$  and  $h \rightarrow g$  imply  $f \downarrow g$  ([4], [12]). The fundamental result in the theory of rewriting systems is a so-called critical pair theorem, which is a base of the completion procedure. The theorem asserts that a system is locally confluent if all the critical pairs are resolvable. Because our situation is a little different from the ones discussed in the literature, we give a proof sketch of the result here.

**Proposition 2.8.** *A system  $R$  is complete if all the critical pairs for  $R$  are resolvable.*

*Proof.* We shall show that for any  $f, g, h \in F$ ,  $h \rightarrow f$  and  $h \rightarrow g$  imply  $f \downarrow g$  by induction on  $h$  with respect to the order  $\succ$  under the assumption that all the critical pairs are resolvable. From the induction hypothesis that  $h' \rightarrow f', h' \rightarrow g'$  and  $h' \prec h$  imply  $f' \downarrow g'$ , we can easily show that

(i)  $h' \rightarrow^* f', h' \rightarrow^* g'$  imply  $f' \downarrow g'$  for any  $f', g', h' \in F$  such that  $h' \prec h$ .

The following assertions can be proved by easy and direct calculations.

(ii) If two reductions  $h \rightarrow f$  and  $h \rightarrow g$  are made through applications of rules of  $R$  to different terms of  $h \in F$ , then  $f \downarrow g$ .

(iii) If  $f \rightarrow^* g$  for  $f, g \in F$ , then  $kxfy \rightarrow^* kxgy$  for any  $x, y \in \Sigma^*$  and  $k \in K$ .

(iv) If  $f \rightarrow^* g$  for  $f, g \in F$ , then  $f + h \rightarrow^* g + h$  for any irreducible  $h \in F$ .

(v) If two reductions  $x \rightarrow f$  and  $x \rightarrow g$  are made through applications of rules of  $R$  to disjoint subwords of  $x \in \Sigma^*$ , then  $f \downarrow g$ .

Now, suppose  $h \rightarrow f$  and  $h \rightarrow g$  for  $f, g, h \in F$ . By (ii), in order to show  $f \downarrow g$ , we may suppose that  $h \rightarrow f$  and  $h \rightarrow g$  are through applications of rules to the same term  $kx$  ( $k \in K, x \in \Sigma^*$ ) of  $h$ . If  $h$  has a reducible term other than  $kx$ , then  $h \rightarrow h'$  applying a rule to that term. Again by (ii), there are  $f_1, g_1 \in F$  such that  $f \rightarrow^* f_1, h' \rightarrow^* f_1, g \rightarrow^* g_1$  and  $h' \rightarrow^* g_1$ . Since  $h' \prec h$ , we have  $f_1 \downarrow g_1$  by (i). Consequently, we see that  $f \downarrow g$  holds.

Therefore, we may assume that  $h = kx + h^\dagger$  with irreducible  $h^\dagger \in F$ . If rules are applied to disjoint subwords of  $x$  and we obtain reductions  $kx \rightarrow t$  and  $kx \rightarrow t'$ , then  $t \downarrow t'$  by (iii) and (v). Because  $f = t + h^\dagger$  and  $g = t' + h^\dagger$ , we have  $f \downarrow g$  by (iv). Otherwise,  $f = kx'c_1x'' + h^\dagger$  and  $g = ky'c_2y'' + h^\dagger$  for some critical pair  $(c_1, c_2)$ , where  $x', x'', y', y'' \in \Sigma^*$ . Since  $c_1 \downarrow c_2$  by assumption, we have  $f \downarrow g$  in the same way as above.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.9.** *For a rewriting system  $R$  the following statements are equivalent.*

- (1)  $R$  is complete.
- (2) Every critical pair is resolvable.
- (3) Every  $S$ -polynomial is reduced to 0.
- (4) Every element in  $I(R)$  is reduced to 0.

*Proof.* (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Proposition 2.8.

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (4): Proposition 2.3.

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (3): Because every  $S$ -polynomial is in  $I(R)$ , it is reduced to 0.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): By Lemma 2.2,  $x_1 - x_2 \rightarrow^* 0$  implies  $x_1 \downarrow_R x_2$  for any critical pair  $(x_1, x_2)$ .  $\square$

A rewriting system  $R$  is *normalized*, if the right-hand side  $v$  of any rule  $u \rightarrow v$  of  $R$  is  $R$ -irreducible and the left-hand side  $u$  is  $(R \setminus \{u \rightarrow v\})$ -irreducible. A set  $G$  of monic elements is *normalized* if  $R_G$  is also. For any Gröbner base  $G$  we can always get a normalized Gröbner base equivalent to  $G$  as follows.

**Proposition 2.10.** *For any Gröbner base  $G$  on  $F$ , there exists a normalized Gröbner base  $G'$  equivalent to  $G$ . If  $G$  is finite, we can choose  $G'$  to be finite.*

*Proof.* First, if there are more than one elements in  $G$  with the same leading term, take just one of them and throw out the others. Then, for each  $u - v$  remaining in  $G$ , if  $u$  is reducible with respect to  $(G \setminus \{u - v\})$ , remove it from  $G$ ; on the other hand, if  $u$  is  $(G \setminus \{u - v\})$ -irreducible but  $v$  is  $G$ -reducible, then replace it by  $u - \hat{v}$ ,

where  $\hat{v}$  is the normal form of  $v$  with respect  $G$ . We shall show that the set  $G'$  reformed from  $G$  in this way is a normalized Gröbner base equivalent to  $G$ .

Let  $I$  and  $I'$  be the ideals generated by  $G$  and  $G'$  respectively. It is easy to see that  $G' \subset I$  and hence  $I' \subset I$ . We shall show that  $f \rightarrow_{G'}^* 0$  for every  $f \in I$ . Let  $f \in I$  and let  $f'$  be the irreducible descendant of  $f$  with respect to  $G'$ ;  $f \rightarrow_{G'}^* f'$ . Since  $f - f' \in I' \subset I$ , we see  $f' \in I$ . Since  $R_G$  is complete,  $f' \rightarrow_G^* 0$  by Proposition 2.3. So, if  $f' \neq 0$ , a rule from  $R_G$  must be applied to the leading term  $\text{lt}(f') = k \cdot x$  ( $k \in K \setminus \{0\}, x \in \Sigma^*$ ) of  $f'$ , that is,  $x = x_1 u x_2$ ,  $u \rightarrow v \in R_G$ . If  $u \in \text{Irr}(G \setminus \{u - v\})$ , then  $u - \hat{v} \in G'$  contradicting  $G'$ -irreducibility of  $f'$ . If  $u \notin \text{Irr}(G \setminus \{u, v\})$ , there is an element  $u' - v' \in G$  different from  $u - v$  such that  $u'$  is a factor of  $u$ ;  $u = u_1 u' u_2$  with  $u_1, u_2 \in \Sigma^*$  and  $u' - \hat{v}' \in G'$ . This again contradicts the  $G'$ -irreducibility of  $f'$ . Hence, we have  $f' = 0$  and  $f \rightarrow_{G'}^* 0$ .

What we have shown above implies that  $I = I'$  and  $R_{G'}$  is complete by Proposition 2.9. Clearly  $G'$  is normalized by construction and it is finite if  $G$  is also.  $\square$

Note that if  $G$  is normalized, there is no critical pair of inclusion type. In fact, for any  $u - v \in G$ , there is no  $u' - v' \in G$  different from  $u - v$  such that  $u'$  is a subword of  $u$ , because  $u$  is  $G \setminus \{u - v\}$ -irreducible.

### 3. GRÖBNER BASES FOR BIMODULES

Let  $K$  be a commutative ring with 1. Let  $A$  be a  $K$ -algebra. An  $A$ -bimodule  $M$  is a  $K$ -module with left  $A$ -action and right  $A$ -action satisfying

$$(a \cdot x) \cdot b = a \cdot (x \cdot b),$$

for  $a, b \in A$ ,  $x \in M$ , and the restrictions of left and right actions to  $K$  coincide with the original  $K$ -module action. Let  $A^\circ$  be the opposite algebra of  $A$ . An  $A$ -bimodule  $M$  is naturally a left module over the enveloping algebra  $A \otimes_K A^\circ$  with the left action

$$(a \otimes b) \cdot x = a \cdot x \cdot b$$

for  $a \otimes b \in A \otimes_K A^\circ$  and  $x \in M$ . Conversely, a left  $A \otimes_K A^\circ$ -module  $M$  is considered to be an  $A$ -bimodule.

An  $A$ -bimodule is *free*, if it is free when we regard it as left  $A \otimes_K A^\circ$ -module. The free  $A$ -bimodule  $M$  generated by a set  $X$  is isomorphic to

$$A \otimes_K KX \otimes_K A,$$

where  $KX$  is the free  $K$ -module generated by  $X$ . An element  $f$  of  $M$  is written as a finite sum

$$(2) \quad f = \sum a_i \otimes \xi_i \otimes b_i$$

with  $a_i, b_i \in A$  and  $\xi_i \in X$ , and for  $a, b \in A$  we have

$$a \cdot f \cdot b = \sum aa_i \otimes \xi_i \otimes b_i b.$$

The free bimodule  $M$  is written simply as  $A \cdot X \cdot A$  and the element  $f$  in (2) is written as  $\sum a_i[\xi_i]b_i$ .

Now, let  $A$  be an algebra over  $K$  admitting a Gröbner base and let  $\Sigma$  be an alphabet corresponding to the generating set of  $A$ . Let  $F = K\Sigma^*$  be the free algebra generated by  $\Sigma$  over  $K$  and let  $\rho : F \rightarrow A$  be the surjection. Let  $G$  be a

normalized Gröbner base of  $I = \text{Ker}(\rho)$  with respect to a fixed compatible well-order  $\succ$  on  $\Sigma^*$ . In the rest of this section we discuss rewriting systems on free  $F$ -bimodules in this situation.

Let  $X$  be a nonempty but possibly infinite set and we consider the free  $F$ -bimodule  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  generated by  $X$ . Actually,  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  is the free  $K$ -module generated by  $\Sigma^* \times X \times \Sigma^*$  with two-sided  $F$ -action. Let  $\succ$  be a well-order on the set of terms  $x[\xi]y \in \Sigma^* \times X \times \Sigma^*$  with  $x, y \in \Sigma^*$  and  $\xi \in X$ , which is compatible, that is,  $f \succ f'$  in  $\Sigma^* \times X \times \Sigma^*$  implies  $a \cdot f \cdot b \succ a \cdot f' \cdot b$  for any  $a, b \in \Sigma^*$ ,  $a \succ a'$  in  $\Sigma^*$  implies  $a \cdot f \succ a' \cdot f$  for any  $f \in \Sigma^* \times X \times \Sigma^*$  and  $b \succ b'$  implies  $f \cdot b \succ f \cdot b'$  for any  $f \in \Sigma^* \times X \times \Sigma^*$ . For example, starting with a linear order  $>$  on  $X$ , we can define an order  $\succ$  on  $\Sigma^* \times X \times \Sigma^*$  as follows:  $x[\xi]y \succ x'[\xi']y'$  if (i)  $\xi > \xi'$ , or (ii)  $\xi = \xi'$  and  $xy \succ x'y'$  on  $\Sigma^*$ , or (iii)  $\xi = \xi'$ ,  $xy = x'y'$  and  $y \succ y'$  on  $\Sigma^*$ .

The order  $\succ$  can be extended to a partial order  $\succ$  on  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  in a similar manner as we did on  $F$  in Section 2. An element  $f$  of  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  is uniquely written as

$$(3) \quad f = \sum k_i x_i [\xi_i] y_i,$$

with  $k_i \in K \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $x_i, y_i \in \Sigma^*$  and  $\xi_i \in X$ , where  $x_i[\xi_i]y_i$  are different elements in  $\Sigma^* \times X \times \Sigma^*$ . The *leading term*  $\text{lt}(f)$  of  $f$  is the term  $k_i x_i [\xi_i] y_i$  such that  $x_i[\xi_i]y_i \succ x_j[\xi_j]y_j$  for all  $j \neq i$ . The element  $f$  is *monic* if the coefficient  $k_i$  of the leading term  $k_i x_i [\xi_i] y_i$  is 1. If, moreover,  $x_i = 1$ ,  $f$  is called *very monic*.

A *rewriting rule* is a pair  $(s, t)$  with  $s \in \Sigma^* \times X \times \Sigma^*$  and  $t \in F \cdot X \cdot F$  such that  $s \succ t$ . A *rewriting system*  $T$  on  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  is a set of rewriting rules. If  $f \in F \cdot X \cdot F$  has a term  $k \cdot x[\xi]y$ ,  $x = x'u$ ,  $y = vy'$  and  $s = u[\xi]v \rightarrow t \in T$ , then  $f \rightarrow_T f - k \cdot x'(u[\xi]v - t)y'$  by an application of the rule  $s \rightarrow t$ .

A rule  $u \rightarrow v$  ( $u - v \in G$ ) in  $R_G$  is also applied to a term  $k \cdot x[\xi]y$  of  $f$ , if  $x = x'ux''$  or  $y = y'vy''$ . In the former case,  $f \rightarrow_G f - k \cdot x'(u - v)x''[\xi]y$ , and in the latter,  $f \rightarrow_G f - k \cdot x[\xi]y'(u - v)y''$ . The relation  $\rightarrow_G$  on  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  is complete, because  $\rightarrow_G$  is complete on  $F$ . So, any  $f \in F \cdot X \cdot F$  has the unique normal form  $\hat{f}$  with respect to  $\rightarrow_G$ . An element  $f$  written as (3) is  $G$ -irreducible, if and only if every  $x_i$  and  $y_i$  are  $G$ -irreducible. Thus, we have  $\hat{f} = \sum k_i \hat{x}_i [\xi_i] \hat{y}_i$ .

Let  $\rightarrow_{T,G} = \rightarrow_T \cup \rightarrow_G$ , then  $\rightarrow_{T,G}$  is a noetherian relation on  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  because  $f \rightarrow_{T,G} g$  implies  $f \succ g$  by the compatibility of  $\succ$ . Let  $\rightarrow_{T,G}^*$  and  $\leftrightarrow_{T,G}^*$  be the reflexive transitive closure and the reflexive symmetric transitive closure of  $\rightarrow_{T,G}$ , respectively. An element  $f \in F \cdot X \cdot F$  is  $(T, G)$ -irreducible, if no rule from  $T \cup R_G$  is applied to  $f$ ; otherwise,  $f$  is  $(T, G)$ -reducible. Let  $L(T, G)$  be the  $F$ -subbimodule of  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  generated by  $H_T \cup I \cdot X \cup X \cdot I$ , where  $H_T = \{s - t \mid s \rightarrow t \in T\}$ . A similar result to Proposition 2.1 holds.

**Proposition 3.1.** *The relation  $\leftrightarrow_{T,G}^*$  is equal to the  $F$ -bimodule congruence of  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  modulo  $L(T, G)$ ;  $f \leftrightarrow_{T,G}^* g \Leftrightarrow f \equiv g \pmod{L(T, G)}$ . In particular,  $L(T, G) = \{f \in F \cdot X \cdot F \mid f \leftrightarrow_{T,G}^* 0\}$ .*

Due to Proposition 3.1 the quotient  $M = M(T, G) = F \cdot X \cdot F / \leftrightarrow_{T,G}^*$  is an  $F$ -bimodule equal to  $F \cdot X \cdot F / L(T, G)$ . But, moreover,  $M$  is an  $A$ -bimodule in a natural way because  $x \leftrightarrow_G^* y$  implies  $x \cdot f \leftrightarrow_{T,G}^* y \cdot f$  and  $f \cdot x \leftrightarrow_{T,G}^* f \cdot y$  for  $x, y \in F$  and  $f \in F \cdot X \cdot F$ . Let  $\eta : F \cdot X \cdot F \rightarrow M$  be the natural surjection which is a morphism of  $F$ -bimodules. Let  $\rho_X : F \cdot X \cdot F \rightarrow A \cdot X \cdot A$  be the morphism of  $K$ -modules defined by

$$\rho_X(x[\xi]y) = \rho(x)[\xi]\rho(y)$$



for  $x, y \in \Sigma^*$  and  $\xi \in X$ . Clearly,  $\rho_X$  is a morphism of  $F$ -bimodules. Since  $M$  is an  $A$ -bimodule, we have a surjection  $\bar{\eta}: A \cdot X \cdot A \rightarrow M$  with the following commutative diagram:

$$(4) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} F \cdot X \cdot F & \xrightarrow{\eta} & M \\ \downarrow \rho_X & \nearrow \bar{\eta} & \\ A \cdot X \cdot A & & \end{array}$$

Hence,  $\text{Ker}(\bar{\eta}) = \rho_X(L(T, G))$  is an  $A$ -subbimodule of  $A \cdot X \cdot A$ , which is denoted by  $L_A(T)$ .  $L_A(T)$  is the  $A$ -subbimodule of  $A \cdot X \cdot A$  generated by  $\rho_X(H_T)$ , and  $M \cong (A \cdot X \cdot A)/L_A(T)$ . Thus

**Proposition 3.2.** *The quotient  $M = M(T, G) = (F \cdot X \cdot F)/L(T, G)$  is an  $A$ -bimodule with the actions induced from the actions of  $F$  to  $F \cdot X \cdot F$ . It is isomorphic to  $(A \cdot X \cdot A)/L_A(T)$ , where  $L_A(T)$  is the  $A$ -subbimodule of  $A \cdot X \cdot A$  generated by  $\rho_X(H_T) = \{\rho_X(s - t) \mid s \rightarrow t \in T\}$ .*

If the rewriting system  $\rightarrow_{T,G}$  is complete on  $F \cdot X \cdot F$ , we say  $T$  is *complete modulo  $G$* . Similar results to Proposition 2.3 hold in this situation.

**Proposition 3.3.** *If a rewriting system  $T$  on  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  is complete modulo  $G$ , then for any  $f \in F \cdot X \cdot F$ , there is a unique  $(T, G)$ -irreducible element (the normal form of  $f$ )  $\hat{f} \in F \cdot X \cdot F$  such that  $f \rightarrow_{T,G}^* \hat{f}$ , and for any  $f, g \in F \cdot X \cdot F$  we have*

$$\hat{f} = \hat{g} \Leftrightarrow f \leftrightarrow_{T,G}^* g \Leftrightarrow f - g \rightarrow_{T,G}^* 0 \Leftrightarrow \eta(f) = \eta(g).$$

Obviously, the empty set  $\emptyset$  is complete modulo  $G$ , and  $\rightarrow_{\emptyset,G} = \rightarrow_G$  and  $\hat{f} = \hat{f}$ . Since  $f \leftrightarrow_G^* g \Leftrightarrow \rho_X(f) = \rho_X(g)$  for  $f, g \in F \cdot X \cdot F$ , the morphism  $\bar{\eta}: A \cdot X \cdot A \rightarrow M$  in (4) is an isomorphism in this case. Accordingly,

$$\text{Ker}(\rho_X) = L(\emptyset, G) = \{f \in F \cdot X \cdot F \mid \hat{f} = 0\} = I \cdot X \cdot F + F \cdot X \cdot I$$

is the  $F$ -subbimodule generated by  $I \cdot X \cup X \cdot I$ . Let  $I_X$  denote this subbimodule. In general,  $L(T, G)$  contains  $I_X$ .

A subset  $H$  of  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  is a *Gröbner base* (modulo  $G$ ), if every element of  $H$  is monic and the associated system  $T_H = \{\text{lt}(f) \rightarrow -\text{rt}(f) \mid f \in H\}$  is a complete rewriting system on  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  modulo  $G$ . For an  $F$ -subbimodule  $L$  of  $F \cdot X \cdot F$ , if  $H$  is a Gröbner base such that  $L = L(H, G) = L(T_H, G)$ ,  $H$  is said to be a Gröbner base of  $L$ . It is also called a Gröbner base for the  $A$ -subbimodule  $\rho_X(L)$  of  $A \cdot X \cdot A$ . We write  $\rightarrow_{H,G}$  and  $\rightarrow_{H,G}^*$  for  $\rightarrow_{T_H,G}$  and  $\rightarrow_{T_H,G}^*$  respectively. A  $(\rightarrow_{H,G})$ -(ir)reducible element is called  $(H, G)$ -(ir)reducible. The quotient  $M(H, G) = (F \cdot X \cdot F)/L(H, G) = (A \cdot X \cdot A)/L_A(H)$  is called the  $A$ -bimodule defined by a pair  $(G, H)$  of Gröbner bases, where  $L_A(H) = L_A(T_H)$ .

Summarizing the above argument we have

**Proposition 3.4.** (1) *The empty set  $\emptyset$  is a Gröbner base of the  $F$ -subbimodule  $I_X = I \cdot X \cdot F + F \cdot X \cdot I$  of  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  modulo  $G$ , and  $A \cdot X \cdot A$  is the  $A$ -bimodule defined by it. For  $f, g \in F \cdot X \cdot F$  it holds that  $\hat{f} = \hat{g} \Leftrightarrow \rho_X(f) = \rho_X(g)$ .*

(2) *If  $H$  is a Gröbner base modulo  $G$  on  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  of an  $F$ -subbimodule  $L$  of  $F \cdot X \cdot F$ , then  $M(H, G) = F \cdot X \cdot F / L = A \cdot X \cdot A / L_A(H)$ , any  $f \in F \cdot X \cdot F$  has the unique normal form  $\tilde{f}$  with respect to  $T_H$ , and  $\hat{f} = \tilde{g} \Leftrightarrow \eta(f) = \eta(g)$  in  $M(H, G)$  for  $f, g \in F \cdot X \cdot F$ .*

4. PROPER CRITICAL PAIRS AND STANDARD REDUCTIONS

$G$  is continued to be a normalized Gröbner base on the free algebra  $F$  over  $K$ . Let  $T$  be a rewriting system on  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  and let  $H = H_T = \{s \rightarrow t \mid s \rightarrow t \in T\}$ . We shall consider critical pairs for  $T$  modulo  $G$ . To simplify the argument we consider only a special type of systems which we need in this paper. We say  $T$  (and  $H$ ) is *very monic* if the left-hand side of each rule of  $T$  is very monic. Moreover, we can normalize  $T$  as we did for rewriting systems on  $F$  in Section 3.  $T$  is *normalized modulo  $G$*  if for any  $s \rightarrow t \in T$ ,  $t$  is  $(H, G)$ -irreducible and  $s$  is  $(H \setminus \{s \rightarrow t\}, G)$ -irreducible. We have a similar result to Proposition 2.9, a proof of which is omitted.

**Proposition 4.1.** *If an  $F$ -subbimodule  $L$  has a Gröbner base  $H$  modulo  $G$ , it has a normalized Gröbner base  $H'$  modulo  $G$ . If  $H$  is finite (resp. very monic), we can choose  $H'$  as finite (resp. very monic).*

From now on  $T$  is a normalized very monic rewriting system on  $F \cdot X \cdot F$ . Let  $[\xi]x \rightarrow t \in T$  ( $t \in F \cdot X \cdot F$  and  $\xi \in X$ ,  $x \in \Sigma^*$ ) and  $u - v \in G$ . Suppose that  $x$  overlaps with  $u$ , that is,  $x = x'z$ ,  $u = zu'$  with  $z \neq 1$ . We can apply the rules on  $[\xi]xu' = [\xi]x'u$  in two ways, and obtain a *critical pair*

$$([\xi]xu' \rightarrow_T tu', [\xi]x'u \rightarrow_G [\xi]x'v)$$

of reductions and a critical pair  $(tu', [\xi]x'v)$  of elements. The critical pair is *resolvable* if  $tu' \downarrow_{T,G} [\xi]x'v$ , that is, there is  $f \in F \cdot X \cdot F$  such that  $tu' \rightarrow_{T,G}^* f$  and  $[\xi]x'v \rightarrow_{T,G}^* f$ . The critical pair is *proper* if  $xu'$  is a minimal  $G$ -reducible word, that is, any proper prefix of  $xu'$  is  $G$ -irreducible. For the (proper) critical pair  $(tu', [\xi]x'v)$  above, the difference  $tu' - [\xi]x'v$  is a (*proper*)  $S$ -polynomial.

**Proposition 4.2.** *A normalized very monic system  $T$  on  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  is complete modulo  $G$  if all the proper critical pairs are resolvable.*

*Proof.* As in the proof of Proposition 2.8, it suffices to show that, under the condition that all the proper critical pairs are resolvable,  $T$  is locally confluent. Again we shall prove that  $f \downarrow_{T,G} g$  holds for any  $f, g, h \in F \cdot X \cdot F$  such that  $h \rightarrow_{T,G} f$  and  $h \rightarrow_{T,G} g$  by induction on  $h$ . For the same reason discussed in the proof of Proposition 2.8, we may suppose that  $h = kx[\xi]y + h^\dagger$ , where  $k \in K \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $x, y \in \Sigma^*$ ,  $\xi \in X$  and  $h^\dagger$  is an irreducible element of  $F \cdot X \cdot F$ , and two reductions  $h \rightarrow_{T,G} f$  and  $h \rightarrow_{T,G} g$  are made through applications of rules of  $T \cup R_G$  to the part  $[\xi]y$ . If both are made through applications of rules from  $G$ ,  $f \downarrow_G g$  holds because  $R_G$  is complete. Since  $T$  is very monic and normalized, two different applications of rules from  $T$  to  $[\xi]y$  is impossible.

Thus, we may suppose that  $y = y'y'' = y_1uy_2$ ,  $[\xi]y' \rightarrow t \in T$ ,  $u - v \in G$  with  $y', y'', y_1, y_2 \in \Sigma^*$ , and  $f = k \cdot xty'' + h^\dagger$ ,  $g = k \cdot x[\xi]y_1vy_2 + h^\dagger$ . If  $y'$  and  $u$  are disjoint in  $y$ , that is,  $y_1 = y'z$  for some  $z \in \Sigma^*$ , then  $f = k \cdot xtzwy_2 + h^\dagger \rightarrow_G k \cdot xtzyy_2 + h^\dagger$ ,  $g = k \cdot x[\xi]y'zvy_2 + h^\dagger \rightarrow_T k \cdot xtzyy_2 + h^\dagger$ , and hence  $f \downarrow_{T,G} g$  holds. If they overlap, that is,  $y' = y_1z$ , with nonempty prefix  $z$  of  $u$ ;  $u = zw$ , then we have a critical pair  $([\xi]y'w \rightarrow_T t \cdot w, [\xi]y_1u \rightarrow_G [\xi]y_1v)$  of reductions. If this critical pair is proper, then it is resolved by assumption and hence  $f \downarrow_{T,G} g$  holds.

If it is not proper,  $y$  has a subword  $u'$  with  $y' = y_3z'$ ,  $y'' = w'y_4$  and  $u' = z'w'$ , such that  $u' - v' \in G$  and  $([\xi]y'w' \rightarrow_T t \cdot w', [\xi]y_3u' \rightarrow_G [\xi]y_3v')$  is a proper critical pair of reductions. Since it is resolved by assumption,  $t \cdot w' \rightarrow_{T,G}^* h'$  and  $[\xi]y_3v' \rightarrow_{T,G}^* h'$  for some  $h' \in F \cdot X \cdot F$ . Therefore,  $f = k \cdot xty'' + h^\dagger = k \cdot xtw'y_4 +$

$h^\dagger \rightarrow_{T,G}^* f'$  and  $k \cdot x[\xi]y_3v'y_4 + h^\dagger \rightarrow_{T,G}^* f'$ , where  $f' = k \cdot xh'y_4 + h^\dagger$ . On the other hand, since  $h \rightarrow_G g$ ,  $h \rightarrow_G k \cdot x[\xi]y_3v'y_4 + h^\dagger$  and  $T_G$  is complete,  $g \rightarrow_G^* g'$  and  $k \cdot x[\xi]y_3v'y_4 + h^\dagger \rightarrow_G g'$  for some  $g' \in F \cdot X \cdot F$ . Moreover,  $f'$  and  $g'$  have the common ascendant  $k \cdot x[\xi]y_3v'y_4 + h^\dagger \prec h$ . Hence, by the induction hypothesis (the same as (i) in the proof of Proposition 2.8 holds), we have  $f' \downarrow_{T,G} g'$ , and consequently, we find that  $f \downarrow_{T,G} g$ .  $\square$

Proposition 4.2 gives the following elaborated version of Proposition 2.9 for rewriting systems on bimodules.

**Proposition 4.3.** *For a normalized very monic rewriting system  $T$  on  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  the following statements are equivalent.*

- (1)  *$T$  is complete modulo  $G$ .*
- (2) *Every critical pair is resolvable.*
- (2') *Every proper critical pair is resolvable.*
- (3) *Every  $S$ -polynomial is reduced to 0.*
- (3') *Every proper  $S$ -polynomial is reduced to 0.*
- (4) *Every element in  $L(T, G)$  is reduced to 0.*

In calculating reduction sequences in  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  we have to be careful that a rule from  $T \cup R_G$  must be applied to a whole term  $k \cdot x[\xi]y$  ( $k \in K \setminus \{0\}$ ) of an element of  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  not to a part  $k' \cdot x[\xi]y$  ( $k' = k - k'', k'' \in K \setminus \{0\}$ ) of it in each reduction step. Accordingly, for  $f, g, f', g' \in F \cdot X \cdot F$  the reductions  $f \rightarrow_{T,G}^* f'$  and  $g \rightarrow_{T,G}^* g'$  do not guarantee the reduction  $f + g \rightarrow_{T,G}^* f' + g'$ , even if  $f'$  and  $g'$  are  $(T, G)$ -irreducible. In this sense the reduction in  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  is not additive, and this causes some difficulty in our calculation. Fortunately, considering a special type of reduction we can avoid this difficulty.

A reduction

$$(5) \quad f_1 \rightarrow_{T,G} f_2 \rightarrow_{T,G} \cdots \rightarrow_{T,G} f_n$$

is called *standard*, if for every  $i = 1, \dots, n - 1$ ,

- (i) when  $f_i$  is  $G$ -reducible, the reduction  $f_i \rightarrow_{T,G} f_{i+1}$  is made through an application of a rule from  $G$ , and
- (ii) when  $f_i$  is  $G$ -irreducible, a rule from  $T$  is applied to the smallest  $T$ -reducible term of  $f_i$  with respect to  $\succ$  in the reduction step  $f_i \rightarrow_{T,G} f_{i+1}$ .

If  $f_1$  is reduced to  $f_n$  through a standard reduction as above, we write it as  $f_1 \Rightarrow_{T,G}^* f_n$ . A standard one-step reduction by a rule from  $T$  is denoted by  $\Rightarrow_T$ , that is,  $f \Rightarrow_T g$  if  $f$  is  $G$ -irreducible and  $g$  is obtained by applying a rule of  $T$  to the smallest  $T$ -reducible term of  $f$ .

Since  $\rightarrow_G$  is complete, the standard reduction (5) can be rewritten as

$$f_1 = g_1 \rightarrow_G^* \hat{g}_1 \Rightarrow_T g_2 \rightarrow_G^* \hat{g}_2 \Rightarrow_T \cdots \Rightarrow_T g_m \rightarrow_G \hat{g}_m = f_n.$$

Since  $T$  is very monic and normalized, in the step  $\hat{g}_i \Rightarrow_T g_{i+1}$  in the above reduction sequence, only one rule from  $T$  is applicable to the smallest  $T$ -reducible term of  $\hat{g}_i$ . In this sense, a standard reduction from  $f$  to a  $(T, G)$ -irreducible element is unique. Thus we have

**Lemma 4.4.** *For any  $f \in F \cdot X \cdot F$ , there is a unique  $(T, G)$ -irreducible element  $f' \in F \cdot X \cdot F$  such that  $f \Rightarrow_{T,G}^* f'$ . If  $T$  is complete modulo  $G$ , this  $f'$  is equal to the normal form  $\tilde{f}$  of  $f$ .*

The additivity of the standard reduction is stated in the following lemma, which will be extensively used in our calculations later. We abbreviate  $\Rightarrow_{T,G}^*$  to  $\Rightarrow^*$ .

**Lemma 4.5.** *If  $f \Rightarrow^* f'$  and  $g \Rightarrow^* g'$  for  $f, f', g, g' \in F \cdot X \cdot F$  such that  $f'$  and  $g'$  are  $(T, G)$ -irreducible, then  $k \cdot f + \ell \cdot g \Rightarrow^* k \cdot f' + \ell \cdot g'$  for any  $k, \ell \in K$ .*

*Proof.* Because  $f \Rightarrow^* f'$  implies  $k \cdot f \Rightarrow^* k \cdot f'$  for any  $k \in K$ , it suffices to prove the additivity  $f + g \Rightarrow^* f' + g'$ . We shall prove this by induction on the pair  $(f, g)$  with respect to  $\succ$ . If  $f = 0$  or  $g = 0$ , the assertion trivially holds. So suppose that  $f$  and  $g$  are nonzero. We have  $(f + g)^\wedge = \hat{f} + \hat{g}$  because  $G$  is complete (Corollary 2.4), and  $\hat{f} \Rightarrow^* f'$  and  $\hat{g} \Rightarrow^* g'$  by the definition of standard reduction. If  $f$  or  $g$  is  $G$ -reducible,  $f \succ \hat{f}$  or  $g \succ \hat{g}$  holds, and by the induction hypothesis,  $\hat{f} + \hat{g} \Rightarrow^* f' + g'$ . Hence  $f + g \xrightarrow{*_G} (f + g)^\wedge = \hat{f} + \hat{g} \Rightarrow^* f' + g'$ .

Suppose  $f$  and  $g$  are  $G$ -irreducible, but  $f$  is  $T$ -reducible. Let  $k_1 \cdot f_1$  with  $k_1 \in K \setminus \{0\}$  and  $f_1 \in \Sigma^* \times X \times \Sigma^*$  be the smallest  $T$ -reducible term of  $f$ . Then,  $f_1 \Rightarrow_T f'_1$ ,  $f \Rightarrow_T k_1 \cdot f'_1 + f_2$  and  $k_1 \cdot f'_1 + f_2 \Rightarrow^* f'$ , where  $f_2 = f - k_1 \cdot f_1$ . If, here,  $g$  is  $T$ -irreducible, then  $g = g'$ ,  $f + g \Rightarrow_T k_1 \cdot f'_1 + f_2 + g$ , and by the induction hypothesis,  $(k_1 \cdot f'_1 + f_2) + g \Rightarrow^* f' + g$ . Consequently,  $f + g \Rightarrow^* f' + g'$ .

Next, suppose  $g$  is also  $T$ -reducible and let  $\ell_1 \cdot g_1$  with  $\ell_1 \in K \setminus \{0\}$  and let  $g_1 \in \Sigma^* \times X \times \Sigma^*$  be the smallest  $T$ -reducible term of  $g$ . As above  $g_1 \Rightarrow_T g'_1$  and  $\ell_1 \cdot g'_1 + g_2 \Rightarrow^* g'$ , where  $g_2 = g - \ell_1 \cdot g_1$ . If  $f_1 = g_1$  and  $k_1 + \ell_1 \neq 0$ , then  $f + g \Rightarrow_T (k_1 + \ell_1) \cdot f'_1 + f_2 + g_2$ , and  $(k_1 + \ell_1) \cdot f'_1 + f_2 + g_2 = (k_1 \cdot f'_1 + f_2) + (\ell_1 \cdot g'_1 + g_2) \Rightarrow^* f' + g'$  by the induction hypothesis. If  $f_1 = g_1$  and  $k_1 + \ell_1 = 0$ , then  $f + g = f_2 + g_2 = (k_1 \cdot f'_1 + f_2) + (\ell_1 \cdot g'_1 + g_2) \Rightarrow^* f' + g'$  by the induction hypothesis. If  $f_1 \prec g_1$ , then  $k_1 f_1$  is the smallest  $T$ -reducible term of  $f + g$  and hence  $f + g \Rightarrow_T k_1 \cdot f'_1 + f_2 + g$ . The last element is reduced to  $f' + g'$  through standard reduction by the induction hypothesis. Finally, if  $f_1 \succ g_1$ , then  $f + g \Rightarrow_T f + \ell_1 g'_1 + g_2 \Rightarrow^* f' + g'$ . In every possible case we have shown that  $f + g \Rightarrow^* f' + g'$ .  $\square$

The following will also be used in the next section.

**Lemma 4.6.** *Let  $f, f' \in F \cdot X \cdot F$  and  $x \in \Sigma^*$ . If  $f \Rightarrow^* f'$  and  $f'$  is  $(T, G)$ -irreducible, then  $x \cdot f \Rightarrow^* (x f')^\wedge$ .*

*Proof.* By  $K$ -linearity of standard reduction and the mapping  $\hat{\phantom{x}}$ , we may suppose that  $f$  is a monic monomial, that is,  $f = y[\xi]z$  with  $\xi \in X$  and  $y, z \in \Sigma^*$ . We proceed by induction on  $f$  with respect to  $\succ$ . If  $f$  is  $G$ -reducible,  $f \succ \hat{f}$  and  $\hat{f} \Rightarrow^* f'$ . By the induction hypothesis  $x \cdot \hat{f} \Rightarrow^* (x f')^\wedge$ , and thus,  $x \cdot f \xrightarrow{*_G} x \cdot \hat{f} \Rightarrow^* (x f')^\wedge$ . If  $f$  is  $(T, G)$ -irreducible, then  $f = f'$  and the assertion holds. So assume that  $y$  and  $z$  are  $G$ -irreducible but  $f$  is  $T$ -reducible. Then,  $z = z_1 z_2$  and  $[\xi]z_1 \rightarrow t \in T$ ,  $f \Rightarrow_T y \cdot t \cdot z_2$  and  $y \cdot t \cdot z_2 \Rightarrow^* f'$ . Because all the terms in  $y \cdot t \cdot z_2$  are less than  $f$ , we see  $x(y \cdot t \cdot z_2) \xrightarrow{*_G} (xy) \cdot t \cdot z_2 \Rightarrow^* (x f')^\wedge$  by the induction hypothesis. Thus, we have the desired standard reduction

$$x \cdot f \xrightarrow{*_G} (xy) \cdot [\xi] \cdot z \Rightarrow_T (xy) \cdot t \cdot z_2 \Rightarrow^* (x f')^\wedge. \quad \square$$

## 5. GRÖBNER BASES MADE FROM CRITICAL PAIRS OF REDUCTIONS

As in Section 4, let  $G$  be a normalized Gröbner base of an ideal  $I$  of the free algebra  $F$ , and let  $\rho : F \rightarrow A = F/I$  be the surjection. Let  $H$  be a normalized very monic Gröbner base modulo  $G$  of an  $F$ -subbimodule  $L$  of  $F \cdot X \cdot F$ , and let

$M = F \cdot X \cdot F/L$  be the  $A$ -bimodule defined by  $(H, G)$ . We consider the free  $F$ -bimodule  $F \cdot H \cdot F$  generated by the set  $H$ . For  $h \in H$ ,  $[h]$  denotes the formal generator of  $F \cdot H \cdot F$  corresponding to  $h \in H$ . Let  $\delta : F \cdot H \cdot F \rightarrow F \cdot X \cdot F$  be a morphism of  $F$ -bimodules defined by

$$\delta([h]) = h.$$

We have  $L = L(H, G) = \text{Im}(\delta) + I_X$ . In this section we shall construct a Gröbner base on  $F \cdot H \cdot F$ , and in the next section we shall show that it is actually a Gröbner base of  $\text{Ker}(\delta) + I_H$ , where  $I_H = I \cdot H \cdot F + F \cdot H \cdot I$ .

We need to introduce an order  $\succ$  on  $\Sigma^* \times H \times \Sigma^*$  under the condition that a compatible well-order  $\succ$  is already given on  $\Sigma^* \times X \times \Sigma^*$ . For  $f = x[h]y$  and  $g = x'[h']y' \in \Sigma^* \times H \times \Sigma^*$  with  $x, y, x', y' \in \Sigma^*$  and  $h, h' \in H$ ,  $x \cdot \text{lt}(h) \cdot y$  and  $x' \cdot \text{lt}(h') \cdot y'$  are considered to be elements of  $\Sigma^* \times X \times \Sigma^*$ . Define  $f \succ g$  if and only if

- (i)  $x \cdot \text{lt}(h) \cdot y \succ x' \cdot \text{lt}(h') \cdot y'$  in  $\Sigma^* \times X \times \Sigma^*$ , or
- (ii)  $x \cdot \text{lt}(h) \cdot y = x' \cdot \text{lt}(h') \cdot y'$  and  $|y| > |y'|$ , or
- (iii)  $x \cdot \text{lt}(h) \cdot y = x' \cdot \text{lt}(h') \cdot y'$ ,  $|y| = |y'|$  and  $|x| < |x'|$ .

This  $\succ$  is a total order. In fact, if  $x \cdot \text{lt}(h) \cdot y = x' \cdot \text{lt}(h') \cdot y'$ ,  $|y| = |y'|$  and  $|x| = |x'|$ , then  $\text{lt}(h) = \text{lt}(h')$  and hence  $h = h'$  because  $H$  is normalized. Moreover,  $\succ$  is a compatible well-order on  $\Sigma^* \times H \times \Sigma^*$  because it is defined through the compatible well-order on  $\Sigma^* \cdot X \cdot \Sigma^*$ . It is extended to the partial order  $\succ$  on  $F \cdot H \cdot F$  as before.

Now, we define a mapping  $\beta$  from  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  to  $F \cdot H \cdot F$ , which will play an important role in the rest of the paper. For an element  $f = x \cdot [\xi] \cdot y \in \Sigma^* \times X \times \Sigma^*$  we define an element  $\beta(f)$  of  $F \cdot H \cdot F$  by induction with respect to  $\succ$ . First, if  $f$  is  $(G \cup H)$ -irreducible, let  $\beta(f) = 0$ . Next, if  $f$  is  $G$ -reducible, let  $\beta(f) = \beta(\hat{f}) = \beta(\hat{x}[\xi]\hat{y})$ . Finally, suppose  $f$  is  $G$ -irreducible but  $H$ -reducible, that is,  $y = y'y''$  and  $h = [\xi]y' - t \in H$ . Because  $H$  is normalized, this  $h$  is unique. Because  $f \succ xty''$ ,  $xty''$  is written as  $\sum k_i x_i [\xi_i] y_i$  with  $x_i [\xi_i] y_i \prec f$ . Hence every  $\beta(x_i [\xi_i] y_i)$  is already defined by the induction hypothesis. Now, define

$$\beta(f) = x[h]y'' + \sum k_i \beta(x_i [\xi_i] y_i).$$

Moreover, for an element  $f$  of  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  expressed as (3) define

$$\beta(f) = \sum k_i \beta(x_i [\xi_i] y_i).$$

By the definition we easily see

**Lemma 5.1.** (1)  $\beta$  is a morphism of  $K$ -modules, that is,  $\beta(kf + \ell g) = k \cdot \beta(f) + \ell \cdot \beta(g)$  for  $k, \ell \in K$  and  $f, g \in F \cdot X \cdot F$ .

(2)  $\beta(f) = \beta(\hat{f})$  for  $f \in F \cdot X \cdot F$ , where  $\hat{f}$  is the normal form of  $f$  with respect to  $G$ .

(3)  $\beta(f)$  is  $G$ -irreducible for  $f \in F \cdot X \cdot F$ .

(4)  $\beta(x \cdot f) = (x \cdot \beta(f))^\wedge$  for  $x \in \Sigma^*$  and  $f \in F \cdot X \cdot F$ .

Let  $h = [\xi]x - t \in H$  and  $u'' \in \Sigma^*$  such that  $x = x'u'$ ,  $u = u'u''$ ,  $u - v \in G$  and  $xu''$  is a minimal  $G$ -reducible word. We have a proper critical pair  $([\xi]xu'' \rightarrow_H tu'', [\xi]x'u \rightarrow_G [\xi]x'v)$  of reductions and a proper  $S$ -polynomial  $p = tu'' - [\xi]x'v$ . We consider an element  $c$  of  $F \cdot H \cdot F$  corresponding to this critical pair defined by

$$(6) \quad c = [h]u'' + \beta(p) = [h]u'' + \beta(tu'') - \beta([\xi]x'v).$$

Since  $[\xi]xu'' \succ tu''$  and  $[\xi]xu'' \succ [\xi]x'v$ , we see  $[h]u'' \succ \beta(tu'') - \beta([\xi]x'v)$  by the definitions of  $\beta$  and our order  $\succ$  on  $\Sigma^* \times H \times \Sigma^*$ , that is,  $\text{ht}(c) = [h]u''$ . In particular,  $c$  is very monic.

Let  $C$  be the set of the elements  $c$  given as (6) for all proper critical pairs of reductions. We have the rewriting system  $T_C$  on  $F \cdot H \cdot F$  associated with  $C$ , which is the set of all rules

$$[h]u'' \rightarrow \beta([\xi]x'v) - \beta(tu'')$$

corresponding to proper critical pairs.

As stated in Lemma 5.1, (3),  $\beta(f)$  is  $G$ -irreducible for  $f \in F \cdot X \cdot F$ . Moreover, it is also  $C$ -irreducible.

**Lemma 5.2.** *For any  $f \in F \cdot X \cdot F$ ,  $\beta(f)$  is  $(C, G)$ -irreducible.*

*Proof.* By Lemma 5.1, (1) and (2), it suffices to show the assertion for a  $G$ -irreducible monic monomial  $f = x[\xi]y$  ( $x, y \in \text{Irr}(G)$ ,  $\xi \in X$ ). Since  $\beta(f) = 0$  if  $f$  is  $H$ -irreducible, we may suppose that  $f$  is  $H$ -reducible. Let  $y = y'y''$ ,  $h = [\xi]y' - t \in H$ . Then,  $\beta(f) = x \cdot [h] \cdot y'' + \beta(x \cdot t \cdot y'')$  and  $f \succ x \cdot t \cdot y''$ . By the induction hypothesis  $\beta(x \cdot t \cdot y'')$  is  $(C, G)$ -irreducible. Assume that  $x \cdot [h] \cdot y''$  is  $C$ -reducible, that is,  $y'' = y_1y_2$  and  $[h]y_1 - s \in C$ . So, we have a proper critical pair  $([\xi]y'y_1 \rightarrow t \cdot y_1, [\xi]y'_1y'_2y_1 \rightarrow [\xi]y'_1v')$  of reductions, where  $y' = y'_1y'_2$  and  $y'_2y_1 - v' \in G$ . But this means that  $y = y'_1y'_2y_1y_2$  is  $G$ -reducible, a contradiction.  $\square$

Now we shall prove one of the key results for our construction that  $C$  is a Gröbner base on  $F \cdot H \cdot F$ . To this end we need the following technical lemma.

**Lemma 5.3.** *For  $f \in F \cdot X \cdot F$  and  $x \in F$  we have a standard reduction*

$$(7) \quad \beta(f) \cdot x \Rightarrow_{C,G}^* \beta(f \cdot x) - \beta(\tilde{f} \cdot x),$$

where  $\tilde{f}$  is the normal form of  $f$  with respect to  $G \cup H$ .

*Proof.* We prove the assertion by induction on  $f \cdot x$  with respect to  $\succ$ . Since the right-hand side of (7) is  $(C, G)$ -irreducible by Lemma 5.2 and the mappings  $\beta$  and  $\tilde{\phantom{x}}$  are  $K$ -linear, Lemma 4.5 tells us that we may suppose that  $f$  is a monic monomial, that is,  $f = w[\xi]y$  with  $\xi \in X$  and  $w, y \in \Sigma^*$ . Moreover, due to Lemma 4.6 and Lemma 5.1, (2) and (4) we may suppose that  $w = 1$  and  $y \in \text{Irr}(G)$ .

If  $f$  is  $H$ -irreducible, then  $f = \tilde{f}$  and  $\beta(f) = 0$ , and hence both sides of (7) are zero. So, suppose that  $f$  is  $H$ -reducible, that is,  $y = y'y''$  and  $h = [\xi]y' - t \in H$ . By the definition of  $\beta$  we have

$$\beta(f) = [h]y'' + \beta(t \cdot y''), \quad [h]y'' \succ \beta(t \cdot y'').$$

Since  $t \cdot y'' \prec f$ , by the induction hypothesis we have

$$\beta(t \cdot y'') \cdot x \Rightarrow^* \beta(t \cdot y''x) - \beta((t \cdot y'')\tilde{\phantom{x}} \cdot x) = \beta(t \cdot y''x) - \beta(\tilde{f} \cdot x),$$

where  $\Rightarrow^*$  is the abbreviation of the standard reduction  $\Rightarrow_{C,G}^*$ . Thus, to show (7) it suffices to show

$$(8) \quad [h]y''x \Rightarrow^* \beta([\xi]yx) - \beta(t \cdot y''x),$$

again by the additivity of standard reduction in Lemma 4.5.

If  $yx$  is  $G$ -irreducible, we have  $\beta([\xi]yx) = [h]y''x + \beta(t \cdot y''x)$ , and we find that both sides of (8) are equal. So, we suppose that  $yx = y'y''x$  is  $G$ -reducible. We need to consider two cases,

- (i)  $y'' = y_1y_2$ ,  $y_2 \neq 1$ ,  $x = x_1x_2$ ,  $y_2x_1 - v \in G$ , and

(ii)  $y''x$  is  $G$ -irreducible and  $y' = y_1y_2$ ,  $y_2 \neq 1$ ,  $x = x_1x_2$ ,  $y_2y''x_1 - v \in G$ .  
 In case (i) we have

$$\begin{aligned} [\xi]yx \rightarrow_G [\xi]y'y_1vx_2 \rightarrow_G^* [\xi]y'z, \\ t \cdot y''x \rightarrow_G^* t \cdot z, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(9) \quad [h]y''x \rightarrow_G^* [h]z,$$

where  $z = (y''x)^\wedge$ . By Lemma 5.1, (2) we have

$$(10) \quad \beta([\xi]y'z) = \beta([\xi]yx), \quad \beta(t \cdot z) = \beta(t \cdot y''x).$$

Here, if  $y'z$  is  $G$ -irreducible, we have

$$\beta([\xi]y'z) = [h]z + \beta(t \cdot z).$$

This together with (10) shows that the right-hand side of (9) is equal to  $\beta([\xi]yx) - \beta(t \cdot y''x)$ , as desired.

If  $y'z$  is  $G$ -reducible, then there is  $u' - v' \in G$  such that  $u' = y_4z_1$ ,  $y' = y_3y_4$ ,  $z = z_1z_2$ . Here, we can choose the element  $u' - v'$  of  $G$  so that  $y'z_1$  is a minimal  $G$ -reducible word, that is,  $([\xi]y'z_1 \rightarrow_H tz_1, [\xi]y'z_1 \rightarrow_G [\xi]y_3v')$  is a proper critical pair of reductions. Thus, we have the rule

$$[h]z_1 \rightarrow \beta([\xi]y_3v') - \beta(t \cdot z_1)$$

in  $T_C$ , and hence

$$[h]z = [h]z_1z_2 \Rightarrow_C \beta([\xi]y_3v')z_2 - \beta(t \cdot z_1)z_2,$$

where  $\Rightarrow_C$  denotes a one-step standard  $C$ -reduction. Since  $f \cdot x \succ [\xi]y_3v'$  and  $f \cdot x \succ tz_1z_2$ , by the induction hypothesis we have

$$\beta([\xi]y_3v')z_2 \Rightarrow^* \beta([\xi]y_3v'z_2) - \beta(([\xi]y_3v')^\sim z_2)$$

and

$$\beta(t \cdot z_1)z_2 \Rightarrow^* \beta(t \cdot z_1z_2) - \beta((t \cdot z_1)^\sim z_2).$$

Since  $([\xi]y_3v')^\sim = (t \cdot z_1)^\sim$  by the confluence of  $\rightarrow_{H,G}$ , we see

$$(11) \quad [h]z \Rightarrow^* \beta([\xi]y_3v'z_2) - \beta(t \cdot z) = \beta([\xi]yx) - \beta(t \cdot y''x).$$

(9) and (11) yield the desired reduction (8).

In case (ii), again we may suppose that  $yx_1$  is a minimal  $G$ -reducible word, and hence we have the rule

$$[h]y''x_1 \rightarrow \beta([\xi]y_1v) - \beta(t \cdot y''x_1)$$

in  $T_C$ . Since  $y''x_1x_2 = y''x$  is  $G$ -irreducible,

$$(12) \quad [h]y''x \Rightarrow_C \beta([\xi]y_1v) \cdot x_2 - \beta(t \cdot y''x_1) \cdot x_2.$$

By the induction hypothesis,

$$\beta([\xi]y_1v) \cdot x_2 \Rightarrow^* \beta([\xi]y_1vx_2) - \beta(([\xi]y_1v)^\sim x_2)$$

and

$$\beta(t \cdot y''x_1) \cdot x_2 \Rightarrow^* \beta(t \cdot y''x) - \beta((t \cdot y''x_1)^\sim x_2).$$

Since  $(t \cdot y''x_1)^\sim = ([\xi]y_1v)^\sim$  and  $\beta([\xi]y_1vx_2) = \beta([\xi]yx)$ , we get the reduction (8) from (12) using Lemma 4.5.  $\square$

**Theorem 5.4.**  $C$  is a normalized very monic Gröbner base on  $F \cdot H \cdot F$ .

*Proof.* We already know that  $C$  is very monic. Let  $c = [h]u'' + \beta(t \cdot u'') - \beta([\xi]x'v)$  be an element of  $C$  given as (6), where  $h = [\xi]x - t \in H$ ,  $x = x'u'$ ,  $u = u'u''$ ,  $u - v \in G$  and  $xu''$  is a minimal  $G$ -reducible word. Lemma 5.2 tells us that  $\beta(tu'') - \beta([\xi]x'v)$  is  $(C, G)$ -irreducible. Suppose that  $[h]u''$  is  $(C \setminus \{c\})$ -reducible and there is  $c' \in C \setminus \{c\}$  such that  $\text{lt}(c') = [h]u''_1$  with a prefix  $u''_1$  of  $u''$ . Thus,  $x = x''u''_2$  and  $u''_2u''_1 \in \text{Dom}(G)$  for some  $x'', u''_2 \in \Sigma^*$ . Because  $xu''$  has no subword from  $\text{Dom}(G)$  other than  $u$ , we have  $u''_2u''_1 = u$ , but this implies  $c = c'$ , a contradiction. Therefore,  $\text{lt}(c) = [h]u''$  is  $(C \setminus \{c\})$ -irreducible, and we find that  $C$  is normalized.

To see the confluence of  $\rightarrow_C$  we need to consider critical pairs. Consider the element  $c = [h]u'' + \beta(tu'') - \beta([\xi]x'v)$  as above, and suppose  $u'' = u_1u_2$ ,  $u_2u_3 - v' \in G$  for some  $u_1, u_2, u_3 \in \Sigma^*$ , then we have a critical pair  $(f_1, f_2) = (\beta([\xi]x'v - tu'') \cdot u_3, [h]u_1v')$  for  $C$ . By Lemma 5.3 (and using Lemma 4.5) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_1 &= \beta([\xi]x'v) \cdot u_3 - \beta(tu'') \cdot u_3 \\
 &\Rightarrow^* \beta([\xi]x'vu_3) - \beta([\xi]x'v\tilde{u}_3) - \beta(tu''u_3) + \beta((tu'')\tilde{u}_3) \\
 (13) \quad &= \beta([\xi]x'vu_3) - \beta(tu''u_3) = \beta([\xi]xu_1v') - \beta(tu_1v') \\
 &= \beta([\xi]xz) - \beta(tz),
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $z = (u_1v')^\wedge$ .

If  $xz$  is  $G$ -irreducible, we have

$$\beta([\xi]xz) = [h]z + \beta(tz).$$

Hence, we see  $f_1 \Rightarrow^* [h]z$  and  $f_2 \rightarrow_G^* [h]z$ , that is,  $f_1 \downarrow_{C,G} f_2$ .

If  $xz$  is  $G$ -reducible, then  $x = x_1x_2$ ,  $z = z_1z_2$  and  $x_2z_1 - v'' \in G$ , where  $xz_1$  is a minimal  $G$ -reducible word. Hence, we have the rule

$$[h]z_1 \rightarrow \beta([\xi]x_1v'') - \beta(tz_1)$$

in  $T_C$ . Thus, again by Lemma 5.3 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_2 &\rightarrow_G^* [h]z_1z_2 \\
 &\Rightarrow_C \beta([\xi]x_1v'')z_2 - \beta(tz_1)z_2 \\
 (14) \quad &\Rightarrow^* \beta([\xi]x_1v''z_2) - \beta([\xi]x_1v''\tilde{z}_2) - \beta(tz_1z_2) + \beta((tz_1)\tilde{z}_2) \\
 &= \beta([\xi]xz) - \beta(tz),
 \end{aligned}$$

because  $\beta([\xi]xz) = \beta([\xi]x_1v''z_2)$  and  $([\xi]x_1v''\tilde{z}_2) = (tz_1)\tilde{z}_2$ . The last element in (14) is equal to the last element in (13), and we find  $f_1 \downarrow_{C,G} f_2$ . Because any critical pair for  $C$  is resolved,  $\rightarrow_C$  is complete modulo  $G$  by Proposition 4.3.  $\square$

### 6. EXACT SEQUENCES OF BIMODULES

Let  $H$  be a very monic normalized Gröbner base of an  $F$ -subbimodule  $L$  of  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  modulo  $G$ . Then,  $L$  is the  $F$ -subbimodule generated by  $H$  and  $I_X = F \cdot X \cdot I + I \cdot X \cdot F$ . We consider the free  $F$ -bimodule  $F \cdot H \cdot F$  generated by the set  $H$  and define the morphism  $\delta : F \cdot H \cdot F \rightarrow F \cdot X \cdot F$  of  $F$ -bimodules by  $\delta([h]) = h$  for  $h \in H$  as in the last section. Also we have a morphism  $\partial : A \cdot H \cdot A \rightarrow A \cdot X \cdot A$  of  $A$ -bimodules defined by  $\partial([h]) = \rho_X(h)$  for  $h \in H$ .

Let  $C$  be the Gröbner base made from proper critical pairs of  $H$ . We consider the free  $F$ -bimodule  $F \cdot C \cdot F$  and the free  $A$ -bimodule  $A \cdot C \cdot A$  generated by  $C$ . With  $[c]$  denoting the generator corresponding to  $c \in C$ , we have a morphism  $\delta' : F \cdot C \cdot F \rightarrow F \cdot H \cdot F$  of  $F$ -bimodules and a morphism  $\partial' : A \cdot C \cdot A \rightarrow A \cdot H \cdot A$



of  $A$ -bimodules defined by  $\delta'([c]) = c$ , and  $\partial'([c]) = \rho_H(c)$ . With these morphisms we have a commutative diagram

$$(15) \quad \begin{array}{ccccc} F \cdot C \cdot F & \xrightarrow{\delta'} & F \cdot H \cdot F & \xrightarrow{\delta} & F \cdot X \cdot F \\ \downarrow \rho_C & & \downarrow \rho_H & & \downarrow \rho_X \\ A \cdot C \cdot A & \xrightarrow{\partial'} & A \cdot H \cdot A & \xrightarrow{\partial} & A \cdot X \cdot A. \end{array}$$

We shall prove our second key result that the lower sequence in (15) is exact. To this end we need the following lemma involving the  $K$ -linear mapping  $\beta : F \cdot X \cdot F \rightarrow F \cdot H \cdot F$  defined in the last section.

**Lemma 6.1.** *For  $f \in F \cdot X \cdot F$  we have*

$$(16) \quad \delta \circ \beta(f) \equiv f - \tilde{f} \pmod{I_X}.$$

*Proof.* By  $K$ -linearity of the mappings  $\delta, \beta$  and  $\tilde{\phantom{x}}$ , we may suppose that  $f = x[\xi]y$  with  $x, y \in \Sigma^*$  and  $\xi \in X$ . Since  $\beta(f) = \beta(\tilde{f})$  and  $f - \tilde{f} \equiv 0 \pmod{I_X}$ , we may further suppose that  $x, y \in \text{Irr}(G)$ . We prove the assertion by induction on  $f$  with respect to  $\succ$ .

If  $f$  is  $H$ -irreducible, then  $\beta(f) = 0$  and  $f = \tilde{f}$ , and both sides of (16) are 0. On the other hand, if  $f$  is  $H$ -reducible, then  $y = y'y''$ ,  $h = [\xi]y' - t \in H$ . Since

$$\beta(f) = x[h]y'' + \beta(xty'')$$

by the definition of  $\beta$ , we have

$$\delta \circ \beta(f) = x([\xi]y' - t)y'' + \delta \circ \beta(xty'').$$

Here, by the induction hypothesis we see

$$\delta \circ \beta(xty'') \equiv xty'' - (xty'')\tilde{\phantom{x}} \pmod{I_X}.$$

Because  $f = x[\xi]y'y''$  and  $\tilde{f} = (xty'')\tilde{\phantom{x}}$ , we obtain the desired congruence in (16).  $\square$

**Lemma 6.2.**  $\rho_X \circ \delta \circ \delta' = 0$ .

*Proof.* Let  $h = [\xi]x - t \in H$ ,  $x = x'u'$ ,  $u = u'u''$ ,  $u - v \in G$  and  $x'u$  is a minimal  $G$ -reducible word. Then we have an element

$$c = [h]u'' + \beta(tu'') - \beta([\xi]xu'')$$

of  $C$ . By Lemma 6.1 we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \circ \delta'([c]) &= h \cdot u'' + \delta \circ \beta(tu'') - \delta \circ \beta([\xi]xu'') \\ &\equiv ([\xi]x - t)u'' + tu'' - (tu'')\tilde{\phantom{x}} - [\xi]xu'' + ([\xi]xu'')\tilde{\phantom{x}} \pmod{I_X} \\ &= -(tu'')\tilde{\phantom{x}} + ([\xi]xu'')\tilde{\phantom{x}} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that  $\rho_X \circ \delta \circ \delta'([c]) = 0$ , as desired.  $\square$

**Lemma 6.3.** *We have  $\text{Im}(\delta') + I_H \supset \text{Ker}(\rho_X \circ \delta)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $f \in F \cdot H \cdot F$  such that  $\rho_X \circ \delta(f) = 0$ . We shall show that  $f \in \text{Im}(\delta') + I_H$  by induction on  $f$  with respect to  $\succ$ . Let  $f = \sum k_i \cdot x_i[h_i]y_i$  with  $k_i \in K \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $x_i, y_i \in \Sigma^*$  and  $h_i = [\xi_i]z_i - t_i \in H$ , where  $\xi_i \in X$ ,  $z_i \in \text{Irr}(G)$ ,  $t_i \in F \cdot H \cdot F$  and

$x_i[h_i]y_i$  are different. Since  $f - \hat{f} \in I_H$ , we may suppose that  $f$  is  $G$ -irreducible, that is,  $x_i, y_i \in \text{Irr}(G)$  for all  $i$ . Suppose  $k_1 \cdot x_1[h_1]y_1$  is the leading term of  $f$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_X \circ \delta(f) &= \rho_X\left(\sum k_i \cdot x_i([\xi_i]z_i - t_i)y_i\right) \\ &= \sum k_i \cdot \rho(x_i)[\xi_i]\rho(z_iy_i) - \sum k_i \cdot \rho_X(x_it_iy_i) \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

the equality

$$(17) \quad \sum k_i \cdot x_i[\xi_i](z_iy_i\hat{\phantom{y}}) - \sum k_i \cdot (x_it_iy_i\hat{\phantom{y}}) = 0$$

holds in  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  by Proposition 3.4, (1). This implies that the word  $z_1y_1$  is  $G$ -reducible. In fact, if  $z_1y_1$  were  $G$ -irreducible, then  $k_1x_1[\xi_1](z_1y_1\hat{\phantom{y}}) = k_1x_1[\xi_1]z_1y_1$  would be greater than any other term in the left-hand side of (17) and would never be cancelled to 0. Therefore,  $z_1 = z'_1z''_1$ ,  $y_1 = y'_1y''_1$ ,  $z'_1y''_1 - v \in G$  and  $z_1y'_1$  has no proper  $G$ -reducible prefix. Thus, we have the element

$$c = [h_1]y'_1 + \beta(t_1y'_1) - \beta([\xi_1]z'_1v)$$

in  $C$ . Set  $f' = f - \delta'(k_1x_1[c]y''_1)$ , then  $f' \in \text{Ker}(\rho_X \circ \delta)$  by Lemma 6.2, and

$$f' = f - k_1x_1[h_1]y_1 - k_1x_1\beta(t_1y'_1)y''_1 - k_1x_1\beta([\xi_1]z'_1v)y''_1 \prec f$$

because the leading term  $k_1x_1[h_1]y_1$  of  $f$  is cancelled in  $f'$ . By the induction hypothesis,  $f' \in \text{Im}(\delta') + I_H$ . It follows that  $f = f' + \delta'(k_1x_1[c]y''_1)$  is also in  $\text{Im}(\delta') + I_H$ . □

By Lemmas 6.2 and 6.3 we see

$$(18) \quad \text{Im}(\delta') + I_H = \text{Ker}(\rho_X \circ \delta) = \text{Ker}(\delta) + I_H.$$

Thus,  $\delta'([C]) = C$  is a Gröbner base of  $\text{Ker}(\delta) + I_H$  by Theorem 5.4, and we obtain the main theorems in this section.

**Theorem 6.4.**  *$C$  is a normalized very monic Gröbner base of  $\text{Ker}(\delta) + I_H$  on  $F \cdot H \cdot F$  modulo  $G$ , that is,  $C$  is a Gröbner base for  $\text{Ker}(\partial)$ .*

**Theorem 6.5.** *Let  $M$  be defined by a normalized very monic Gröbner base  $H$  on  $F \cdot X \cdot F$  modulo  $G$ . We have an exact sequence of the free  $A$ -bimodules*

$$A \cdot C \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial'} A \cdot H \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial} A \cdot X \cdot A \xrightarrow{\bar{\eta}} M \rightarrow 0,$$

where  $\bar{\eta}$  is the surjection in (4).

*Proof.* The morphism  $\bar{\eta}$  is surjective, and  $\text{Ker}(\bar{\eta}) = L_A(H)$ , which is generated by  $\rho_X(H)$  by Proposition 3.2, is equal to  $\text{Im}(\partial)$ . Hence, the sequence is exact at  $M$  and  $A \cdot X \cdot A$ . The equality (18) implies the sequence is also exact at  $A \cdot H \cdot A$ . □

### 7. CONSTRUCTION OF FREE BIMODULE RESOLUTIONS

Let  $M$  be an  $A$ -bimodule admitting a very monic Gröbner base, that is,  $M \cong M(X_1, G)$ , where  $X_1$  is a very monic Gröbner base modulo  $G$  on the free  $F$ -bimodule  $F \cdot X_0 \cdot F$  generated by a set  $X_0$  of generators of  $M$ . Due to Proposition 4.1, we may suppose that  $X_1$  is normalized.

Let  $X_2$  be the Gröbner base on  $F \cdot X_1 \cdot F$  made from proper critical pairs of  $X_1$ . By Theorem 6.5, we have an exact sequence of the free  $A$ -bimodules

$$(19) \quad A \cdot X_2 \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_2} A \cdot X_1 \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_1} A \cdot X_0 \cdot A \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0.$$

By Theorem 6.4,  $X_2$  is a Gröbner base for  $\text{Ker}(\partial_1)$ . So, again by Theorem 6.5, with the Gröbner base  $X_3$  made from proper critical pairs of  $X_2$ , we have an exact sequence

$$A \cdot X_3 \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_3} A \cdot X_2 \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_2} A \cdot X_1 \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_1} \text{Im}(\partial_1).$$

Combining this with (19) we have an exact sequence

$$A \cdot X_3 \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_3} A \cdot X_2 \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_2} A \cdot X_1 \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_1} A \cdot X_0 \cdot A \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0.$$

We can repeat this construction arbitrarily many times and we have a free  $A$ -bimodule resolution of  $M$

$$(20) \quad \mathbf{X} : \dots \xrightarrow{\partial_{n+1}} A \cdot X_n \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_n} \dots \xrightarrow{\partial_1} A \cdot X_0 \cdot A \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0.$$

If  $G$  and  $X_0$  is finite,  $X_n$  are finite for all  $n$ , and hence all the free  $A$ -bimodules in (20) are finitely generated. Summarizing:

**Theorem 7.1.** *If an algebra  $A$  over  $K$  admits a Gröbner base  $G$  and an  $A$ -bimodule  $M$  admits a Gröbner base  $X_1$  modulo  $G$  on a set  $X_0$  of generators of  $M$ , then we have a free bimodule resolution  $\mathbf{X}$  in (20) of  $M$ . If  $G$ ,  $X_0$  and  $X_1$  are finite, all the free bimodules in  $\mathbf{X}$  are of finite rank.*

We say an  $A$ -bimodule  $M$  has type  $\text{FP}_n$  if it has a partial  $A$ -bimodule resolution

$$F_n \xrightarrow{\partial_n} \dots \xrightarrow{\partial_1} F_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$$

such that  $F_i$  ( $0 \leq i \leq n$ ) are free of finite rank.  $M$  has type  $\text{FP}_\infty$  if it has type  $\text{FP}_n$  for all  $n \geq 0$ .

**Corollary 7.2.** *If an algebra  $A$  over  $K$  admits a finite Gröbner base  $G$ , then a finitely generated  $A$ -bimodule with finite Gröbner base modulo  $G$  has type  $\text{FP}_\infty$ .*

Now we perform this construction for the  $A$ -bimodule  $A$ . Without loss of generality, we may assume that  $\text{Dom}(G) \cap \Sigma = \emptyset$ . First, we define the order  $\succ$  on the product  $\Sigma^* \times \Sigma^*$  as follows. For  $x, y, x', y' \in \Sigma^*$ ,  $(x, y) \succ (x', y')$  holds, if  $xy \succ x'y'$  in  $\Sigma^*$ , or  $xy = x'y'$  and  $|y| > |y'|$ . Clearly, this is a well-order and can be extended to a well-founded partial order  $\succ$  on the free  $F$ -bimodule  $F \cdot [ ] \cdot F$  with a single generator  $[ ]$ , which is a  $K$ -space with base  $\Sigma^* \times \Sigma^*$ .

Let

$$X_1 = \{ [ ]a - a[ ] \mid a \in \Sigma \} \subset F \cdot [ ] \cdot F.$$

We have the augmentation mapping  $\epsilon$  from the cyclic free  $A$ -bimodule  $A \cdot [ ] \cdot A$  to  $A$ ,

$$\epsilon : A \cdot [ ] \cdot A \rightarrow A, \quad \epsilon(x[ ]y) = xy,$$

and the surjection

$$\rho_{[ ]} : F \cdot [ ] \cdot F \rightarrow A \cdot [ ] \cdot A.$$

**Lemma 7.3.**  $X_1$  is a normalized very monic Gröbner base on  $F \cdot [ ] \cdot F$  for  $\text{Ker}(\epsilon)$  modulo  $G$ .

*Proof.* Since  $[ ]a \succ a[ ]$ ,  $[ ]a$  is the leading term of  $[ ]a - a[ ]$ , and so  $X_1$  is normalized and very monic. Next we show the confluence. Let  $u - v \in G$  and let  $a_1$  be the first letter of  $u$ , then we have a proper critical pair  $( [ ]a_1u^\dagger \rightarrow a_1[ ]u^\dagger, [ ]u \rightarrow [ ]v )$  of reductions, where  $u^\dagger$  denotes the maximal proper suffix of  $u$ ;  $u = a_1u^\dagger$ . Since

$$a_1[ ]u^\dagger \xrightarrow{*}_{X_1} u[ ] \rightarrow_G v[ ]$$

and

$$[\ ]v \rightarrow_{X_1}^* v[\ ],$$

the critical pair is resolvable. Hence,  $X_1$  is a Gröbner base, and clearly it generates  $\text{Ker}(\epsilon)$ .  $\square$

Let  $F \cdot \Sigma \cdot F$  (resp.  $A \cdot \Sigma \cdot A$ ) be the free  $F$ -bimodule (resp.  $A$ -bimodule) generated by  $\Sigma$ , and let  $[a]_1$  denote the generator of it corresponding to  $a \in \Sigma$ . In general, for  $x = a_1 \cdots a_n \in \Sigma^*$ ,  $[x]_1$  denotes the element

$$[x]_1 = [a_1]_1 a_2 \cdots a_n + a_1 [a_2]_1 a_3 \cdots a_n + \cdots + a_1 \cdots a_{n-1} [a_n]_1$$

of  $F \cdot \Sigma \cdot F$ . This  $[x]_1$  is also considered to be an element of  $A \cdot \Sigma \cdot A$  modulo  $I_\Sigma$ . We extend the mapping  $[\ ]_1$  to the mapping  $[\ ]_1 : F \rightarrow F \cdot \Sigma \cdot F$ ,  $K$ -linearly. Let  $\delta_1 : F \cdot \Sigma \cdot F \rightarrow F \cdot [\ ] \cdot F$  (resp.  $\partial_1 : A \cdot \Sigma \cdot A \rightarrow A \cdot [\ ] \cdot A$ ) be the morphism of  $F$ -bimodules (resp.  $A$ -bimodules) defined by

$$\delta_1([a]_1) = [ ]a - a[ ] \quad (\text{resp. } \partial_1([a]_1) = [ ]a - a[ ] \pmod{I_1}).$$

For the proper critical pair ( $[ ]a_1 u^\dagger \rightarrow a_1 [ ]u^\dagger$ ,  $[ ]u \rightarrow [ ]v$ ) of reductions for  $u - v \in G$  with  $u = a_1 u^\dagger$  in the proof of Lemma 7.3 above, we associate an element

$$g = [a_1]_1 u^\dagger + \beta(a_1 [ ]u^\dagger) - \beta([ ]v),$$

in  $F \cdot [\ ] \cdot F$ , where  $\beta : F \cdot [\ ] \cdot F \rightarrow F \cdot \Sigma \cdot F$  is the morphism of  $K$ -modules defined in Section 5. By definition we have

$$\beta(a_1 [ ]u^\dagger) = a_1 [a_2]_1 a_3 \cdots a_m + \cdots + a_1 a_2 \cdots a_{m-1} [a_m]_1 = a_1 [u^\dagger]_1,$$

and

$$\beta([ ]v) = [v]_1,$$

where  $u = a_1 a_2 \cdots a_m$ . Hence, we see

$$g = [a_1]_1 u^\dagger + a_1 [u^\dagger]_1 + [v]_1 = [u]_1 - [v]_1.$$

Thus,

**Lemma 7.4.**  $X_2 = \{[u]_1 - [v]_1 \mid u - v \in G\}$  forms a normalized very monic Gröbner base on  $F \cdot \Sigma \cdot F$  for  $\text{Ker}(\partial_1)$ .

Define a morphism  $\partial_2 : A \cdot G \cdot A \rightarrow A \cdot \Sigma \cdot A$  by

$$\partial_2([g]_2) = [u]_1 - [v]_1,$$

for  $g = u - v \in G$ , where  $[g]_2$  denotes the formal generator of the free  $A$ -bimodule  $A \cdot G \cdot A$  corresponding to  $g \in G$ .

Next, we consider a pair  $c = (g_1, g_2)$  of rules in  $G$  such that  $g_1 = u_1 - v_1$ ,  $g_2 = u_2 - v_2 \in G$ ,  $u_1 = u'_1 z$ ,  $u_2 = z u'_2$ ,  $z \neq 1$ ,  $u'_1 = a u_1^\dagger$  and  $u_1^\dagger u'_2$  is a minimal  $G$ -reducible word. We call such a pair  $(g_1, g_2)$  a proper critical pair of reductions in  $G$ . Then, we have a rule

$$[g_1]_2 : [a]_1 u_1^\dagger z \rightarrow -a [u_1^\dagger z]_1 + [v_1]_1$$

in  $X_2$  and a proper critical pair

$$([a]_1 u_1^\dagger u_2 \rightarrow -a [u_1^\dagger z]_1 u'_2 + [v_1]_1 u'_2, [a]_1 u_1^\dagger u_2 \rightarrow [a]_1 u_1^\dagger v_2)$$

of reductions for  $X_2$ . So we obtain a rule

$$\begin{aligned} [g_1]_2 \cdot u'_2 &\rightarrow \beta([a]_1 u_1^\dagger v_2) + \beta(a [u_1^\dagger z]_1 u'_2) - \beta([v_1]_1 u'_2) \\ &= \beta([u'_1]_1 v_2) + \beta(u'_1 [z]_1 u'_2) - \beta([v_1]_1 u'_2). \end{aligned}$$

on  $F \cdot G \cdot F$ . Here, since  $u'_1[z]u'_2$  is  $(X_2, G)$ -irreducible,  $\beta(u'_1[z]u'_2) = 0$ . Thus we have a rule

$$[g_1]_2 \cdot u'_2 \rightarrow \beta([u'_1]_1 v_2) - \beta([v_1]_1 u'_2).$$

Let  $C$  be the set of all proper critical pairs of rules in  $G$ , and for  $c = (g_1, g_2) \in C$  as above we associate the element

$$(21) \quad c_2 = [g_1]_2 \cdot u'_2 + \beta([v_1]_1 u'_2) - \beta([u'_1]_1 v_2)$$

of  $F \cdot G \cdot F$ .

**Lemma 7.5.** *The set  $X_3$  of the elements (21) corresponding to all elements  $c$  in  $C$  forms a normalized very monic Gröbner base on  $F \cdot G \cdot F$  for  $\text{Ker}(\partial_2)$ .*

Defining a morphism  $\partial_3 : A \cdot C \cdot A \rightarrow A \cdot G \cdot A$  by  $\partial_3([c]_3) = \rho_G(c_2)$  for  $c \in C$ , where  $[c]_3$  denotes the formal generator of  $A \cdot C \cdot A$  corresponding to  $c$  and  $c_2$  is the element given in (21), we have an exact sequence

$$A \cdot C \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_3} A \cdot G \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_2} A \cdot \Sigma \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_1} A \cdot [ ] \cdot A \xrightarrow{\epsilon} A \rightarrow 0.$$

We can continue this construction further, but calculations become more and more complex, so we stop here. Though it is difficult to give explicit forms of elements of our Gröbner base in higher dimension, we can give the leading terms of elements of the Gröbner base in a systematic way.

We define a directed graph  $\Gamma$  associated with  $G$  as follows. The set  $V$  of vertices in  $\Gamma$  is the union of  $\Sigma$  and the set of nonempty proper suffixes of words in  $\text{Dom}(G)$ . For  $x, y \in V$ , there is an edge from  $x$  to  $y$ , if and only if  $xy$  is a minimal  $G$ -reducible word, that is,  $x = x'x''$ ,  $x''y \in G$  and  $xy$  has no proper  $G$ -reducible subword.  $\Gamma$  is a finite graph if  $G$  is finite, but it is infinite in general. For  $n > 0$ ,  $C_n$  denotes the set of all directed paths in  $\Gamma$  of length  $n - 1$  starting with some  $a \in \Sigma$ .

In particular,  $C_1$  is the set of trivial paths  $\iota_a$  at  $a$  for all  $a \in \Sigma$ . Thus, it is bijective to  $\Sigma$ .  $C_2$  is the set of all edges  $a \rightarrow u'$  ( $a \in \Sigma, au' \in \text{Dom}(G)$ ) in  $\Gamma$ . It is bijective to  $G$ .  $C_3$  is the set of all paths  $a \rightarrow u' \rightarrow u''$  in  $\Gamma$  and it is bijective to the set of all proper critical pairs of reductions in  $G$ .

**Theorem 7.6.** *We have a free  $A$ -bimodule resolution of  $A$ :*

$$(22) \quad \mathbf{H} : \rightarrow A \cdot C_n \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_n} A \cdot C_{n-1} \cdot A \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow A \cdot C_1 \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_1} A \cdot [ ] \cdot A \xrightarrow{\epsilon} A.$$

Here,  $\text{Ker}(\partial_{n-1})$  has a very monic normalized Gröbner base  $\{h_c \mid c \in C_n\}$  on  $F \cdot C_{n-1} \cdot F$  such that  $\text{lt}(h_c) = [c']v_{n-1}$  and  $\partial_n([c]) = \rho_{C_{n-1}}(h_c)$ , where  $c$  is a path  $a \rightarrow v_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow v_{n-2} \rightarrow v_{n-1}$  of length  $n - 1$  in  $\Gamma$  and  $c'$  is the subpath  $a \rightarrow v_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow v_{n-2}$  of  $c$  of length  $n - 2$ .

*Proof.* By induction on  $n$ . Assume that the resolution is constructed up to  $n$  and  $\{h_c \mid c \in C_n\}$  forms a Gröbner base for  $\text{Ker}(\partial_{n-1})$ , where  $h_c = [c']v_{n-1} - t$  with  $t \in F \cdot C_{n-1} \cdot F$ . Suppose that  $c$  is prolonged to a path  $\bar{c} = a \rightarrow v_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow v_{n-1} \rightarrow v_n$  in  $\Gamma$  of length  $n$ , that is, there is  $v_n \in \Sigma^*$  such that  $v_{n-1}v_n$  is a minimal  $G$ -reducible word. Then we have a proper critical pair  $([c']v_{n-1}v_n \rightarrow tv_n, [c']v_{n-1}v_n \rightarrow_G [c']v')$  of reductions. The collection of these elements

$$h_{\bar{c}} = [c]v_n + \beta(t \cdot v_n) - \beta([c']v')$$

of  $F \cdot C_n \cdot F$  for  $\bar{c} \in C_{n+1}$  forms a Gröbner base for  $\text{Ker}(\partial_n)$ , and the resolution is prolonged up to  $n + 1$  with  $\partial_{n+1} : A \cdot C_{n+1} \cdot A \rightarrow A \cdot C_n \cdot A$  defined by  $\partial_{n+1}([\bar{c}]) = \rho_{X_n}(h_{\bar{c}})$  in virtue of Theorems 6.4 and 6.5.  $\square$

For two  $A$ -bimodules  $M$  and  $N$  let  $\text{Hom}_{A,A}(M, N)$  be the  $K$ -modules consisting of all bimodule morphisms from  $M$  to  $N$ . Taking the functor  $\text{Hom}_{A,A}(\cdot, A)$  on (22), we have a complex

$$\text{Hom}_{A,A}(\mathbf{H}, A) : 0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{\partial_1^*} A^{d_1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow A^{d_{n-1}} \xrightarrow{\partial_n^*} A^{d_n} \xrightarrow{\partial_{n+1}^*} A^{d_{n+1}} \rightarrow \dots,$$

where  $d_i = |C_i|$ . Since  $A$  is free as  $K$ -module by Corollary 2.5, the homology group  $H^n(A) = \text{Ker}(\partial_{n+1}^*)/\text{Im}(\partial_n^*)$  is equal to the *Hochschild cohomology* of  $A$  of dimension  $n$ .

Because  $A$  is a free  $K$ -module we can compute other (co)homology groups with our complex  $\mathbf{H}$  as below (see [7], Chaps. 9, 10). Because  $A \cdot C_n \cdot A = A \otimes_K KC_n \otimes_K A$  is free as a left  $A$ -module,  $\mathbf{H}$  is considered to be a free left  $A$ -module resolution of  $A$ . Hence, for any right  $A$ -module  $M$ , the complex  $M \otimes_A \mathbf{H}$  is exact because  $H_n(M \otimes_A \mathbf{H}) = \text{Tor}_n^A(M, A) = 0$  for any  $n > 0$ . Moreover, if  $M$  is projective as a  $K$ -module, then  $\mathbf{H} \otimes_A M$  is a projective resolution of  $M$ . Hence, we have the following isomorphism of  $K$ -modules:

$$\text{Tor}_n^A(M, N) \cong H_n(M \otimes_A \mathbf{H} \otimes_A N)$$

for any left  $A$ -module  $N$ . For the same reason the complex  $\text{Hom}_A(\mathbf{H}, M)$  is exact for any left  $A$ -module  $M$ , and if  $M$  is  $K$ -projective,  $\text{Hom}_A(\mathbf{H}, M)$  is a projective resolution of  $M$ . Hence,

$$\text{Ext}_A^n(N, M) \cong H^n(\text{Hom}_A(N, \text{Hom}_A(\mathbf{H}, M)))$$

for any left  $A$ -module  $N$ . Furthermore, since  $\text{Hom}_A(N, \text{Hom}_A(\mathbf{H}, M))$  is naturally isomorphic to  $\text{Hom}_{A,A}(\mathbf{H}, \text{Hom}_K(N, M))$ , we have

$$\text{Ext}_A^n(N, M) \cong H^n(\text{Hom}_{A,A}(\mathbf{H}, \text{Hom}_K(N, M))).$$

If  $A$  is a supplemented algebra over  $K$  with an augmentation  $\bar{\epsilon} : A \rightarrow K$ , then  $K$  itself is an  $A$ -bimodules via  $\bar{\epsilon}$ . Letting  $N = M = K$  in the above isomorphisms we have

$$\text{Tor}_n^A(K, K) \cong H_n(K \otimes_A \mathbf{H} \otimes_A K)$$

and

$$\text{Ext}_A^n(K, K) \cong H^n(\text{Hom}_{A,A}(\mathbf{H}, K)).$$

### 8. EXAMPLES

In this section we compute our resolutions for some example algebras. Though we do not attempt a systematical application of our methods, we show how our construction works for a several typical types of algebras. Even if we get a resolution, it is not an easy task to calculate the Hochschild cohomology. So, we give a detailed calculation of the cohomology only in the first example.

**Example 8.1.** (1) Let  $U$  be a subset of  $\Sigma^2$  and  $\phi : U \rightarrow K \cdot \Sigma \oplus K$  be a mapping. Let  $\phi' : K \cdot \Sigma^2 \oplus K \cdot \Sigma \rightarrow K \cdot \Sigma^2 \oplus K \cdot \Sigma \oplus K$  be the  $K$ -linear mapping defined by

$$\phi'(u) = \begin{cases} \phi(u) & \text{if } u \in U, \\ u & \text{if } u \notin U, \end{cases}$$

for  $u \in \Sigma^{\leq 2}$ . Suppose that

$$(23) \quad \phi'(\phi(ab)c) = \phi'(a\phi(bc))$$

holds for any  $a, b, c \in \Sigma$  such that  $ab, bc \in U$ . Let  $I$  be the ideal of the free algebra  $F = K \cdot \Sigma^*$  generated by  $G = \{u - \phi(u)\}$ , and let  $A = F/I$ . Then,  $G$  is a Gröbner base of  $I$ . In fact, (23) guarantees the confluence of the rewriting system  $\{u \rightarrow \phi(u) \mid u \in U\}$ .

For  $n \geq 0$ , let  $V_n$  be the set of words  $v$  of length  $n$  such that any subword of  $v$  of length 2 belongs to  $U$ . For example,  $V_0 = \{1\}$ ,  $V_1 = \Sigma$ ,  $V_2 = U$  and  $V_3 = \{abc \mid a, b, c \in \Sigma, ab, bc \in U\}$ . As before,  $[v]_n$  for  $v \in V_n$  denotes the formal generator corresponding to  $v$ , and we extend this notation for any  $K$ -linear combination  $x = \sum k_i v_i \in K \cdot \Sigma^n$  as  $[x]_n = \sum_i k_i [v_i]_n$ . In particular,  $[x]_n = 0$  for  $x \in \Sigma^{\leq n} \setminus V_n$ . Moreover, for  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in K \cdot \Sigma \oplus K$ ,  $[x_1 \cdots x_n]_n$  is defined by expanding the product  $x_1 \cdots x_n$  to an element of  $K \cdot \Sigma^{\leq n}$ .

Now, define an augmentation mapping  $\partial_0 = \bar{\epsilon} : A \cdot V_0 \cdot A \rightarrow A$  and a morphism  $\partial_n : A \cdot V_n \cdot A \rightarrow A \cdot V_{n-1} \cdot A$  of  $A$ -bimodules by  $\epsilon([\ ] ) = 1$ ,  $\partial_1([a]_1) = [ ]a - a[ ]$  for  $a \in \Sigma$ , and for  $n \geq 2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_n([a_1 \cdots a_n]_n) &= [a_1 \cdots a_{n-1}]_{n-1} a_n + (-1)^n a_1 [a_2 \cdots a_n]_{n-1} \\ (24) \quad &+ \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (-1)^{n-i} [a_1 \cdots a_{i-1} \phi(a_i a_{i+1}) a_{i+2} \cdots a_n]_{n-1}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $a_1 \cdots a_n \in V_n$ .

We claim that  $(A \cdot M_n \cdot A, \partial_n)$  is a free  $A$ -bimodule resolution of  $A$ . More precisely, we shall show that  $H_n = \delta_n([V_n]_n)$  forms a normalized very monic Gröbner base for  $\text{Ker}(\partial_{n-1})$  on  $F \cdot V_{n-1} \cdot F$  modulo  $G$ , where  $\delta_n : F \cdot V_n \cdot F \rightarrow F \cdot V_{n-1} \cdot F$  is the  $F$ -bilinear mapping defined as  $\partial_n$ . Since  $\text{lt}(\delta_n([a_1 \cdots a_n]_n)) = [a_1 \cdots a_{n-1}]_{n-1} a_n$ ,  $H_n$  is very monic and normalized. We shall show that  $H_n$  is a Gröbner base for  $\text{Ker}(\partial_{n-1})$  by induction on  $n$ . First, the elements  $\delta_2([ab]_2) = [a]_1 b + a [b]_1 - [\phi(ab)]_1$  for  $ab \in U$  actually form a Gröbner base for  $\text{Ker}(\partial_1)$  as we already saw in Section 7, and the assertion is true for  $n \leq 2$ .

Suppose that  $n \geq 2$  and  $H_n$  forms a Gröbner base for  $\text{Ker}(\partial_{n-1})$ . For  $x = a_1 \cdots a_n \in V_n$  and  $a_{n+1} \in \Sigma$  such that  $a_n a_{n+1} \in U$ ,  $\text{lt}(\delta_n([x]_n)) = [a_1 \cdots a_{n-1}]_{n-1} a_n$  overlaps with  $a_n a_{n+1}$  and we have a proper critical pair of reductions

$$[a_1 \cdots a_{n-1}]_{n-1} a_n a_{n+1} \rightarrow_G [a_1 \cdots a_{n-1}]_{n-1} \phi(a_n a_{n+1})$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} [a_1 \cdots a_{n-1}]_{n-1} a_n a_{n+1} &\rightarrow_{H_n} (-1)^n a_1 [a_2 \cdots a_n]_{n-1} a_{n+1} \\ &- \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (-1)^{n-i} [a_1 \cdots a_{i-1} \phi(a_i a_{i+1}) a_{i+2} \cdots a_n]_{n-1} a_{n+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have an element

$$\begin{aligned} &[a_1 \cdots a_n]_n a_{n+1} - \beta([a_1 \cdots a_{n-1}]_{n-1} \phi(a_n a_{n+1})) - (-1)^n \beta(a_1 [a_2 \cdots a_n]_{n-1} a_{n+1}) \\ &- \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (-1)^{n-i} \beta([a_1 \cdots a_{i-1} \phi(a_i a_{i+1}) a_{i+2} \cdots a_n]_{n-1} a_{n+1}) \\ &= [a_1 \cdots a_n]_n a_{n+1} + (-1)^{n+1} a_1 [a_2 \cdots a_{n+1}]_n \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{n-i+1} [a_1 \cdots a_{i-1} \phi(a_i a_{i+1}) a_{i+2} \cdots a_{n+1}]_n \end{aligned}$$

of  $F \cdot V_n \cdot F$ . The collection of these elements gives rise to the Gröbner base  $H_{n+1}$  for  $\text{Ker}(\partial_n)$  modulo  $G$  by Theorem 6.4.

(2) Here, we consider the extreme case where  $U = \Sigma^2$ . Then,  $\Sigma \cup \{1\}$  is a  $K$ -base of  $A$ ,  $\phi'_{|\Sigma^2} = \phi$  and (23) is just the associative law. Thus,  $\phi : \Sigma \rightarrow K \cdot \Sigma \oplus K$  is nothing but a *multiplication table* for  $A$ . We have  $V_n = \Sigma^n$  and the resolution  $\dots \rightarrow A \cdot \Sigma^n \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_n} A \cdot \Sigma^{n-1} \cdot A \rightarrow \dots$  with the differentiations  $\partial_n$  given by (24) is the (modified) *standard complex* of  $A$  ([7], Chap. 9, Sect. 6). If  $\Sigma$  is restricted to a finite alphabet,  $A$  is finite dimensional over  $K$ . However, our construction, in fact, remains valid even if  $\Sigma$  is infinite. If we are allowed to use an infinite alphabet, any algebra over  $K$  can be expressed in this way with a multiplication table. In this sense formula (24) is general.

(3) Next, let us consider a very special example, where  $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $U = \{a^2, ab, ac\}$  and

$$\phi(a^2) = 1, \phi(ab) = b, \phi(ac) = -c.$$

It is easy to see that  $\phi$  satisfies (23), and so  $G = \{a^2 - 1, ab - b, ac + c\}$  is a Gröbner base on  $K \cdot \Sigma^*$ . The algebra  $A = K \cdot \Sigma^*/I(G)$  has a  $K$ -linear base

$$\text{Irr}(G) = \{b, c\}^* a \cup \{b, c\}^*,$$

and any element  $x$  of  $A$  is uniquely written as

$$(25) \quad x = \sum k_i \cdot bx_i a + \sum k'_i \cdot cx_i a + \sum \ell_i \cdot bx_i + \sum \ell'_i \cdot cx_i + k \cdot a + \ell$$

with  $k_i, k'_i, \ell_i, \ell'_i, k, \ell \in K$  and  $x_i \in \{b, c\}^*$ , where only a finite number of  $k_i, k'_i, \ell_i, \ell'_i$  are nonzero.

We have  $V_0 = \{1\}$ , and  $V_n = \{a^n, a^{n-1}b, a^{n-1}c\}$  for  $n \geq 1$ . The differentiations  $\partial_n : A \cdot V_n \cdot A \rightarrow A \cdot V_{n-1} \cdot A$  are given by specializing (24) as follows:

$$\partial_1([a]) = [ ]a - a[ ], \partial_1([b]) = [ ]b - b[ ], \partial_1([c]) = [ ]c - c[ ],$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_n([a^n]_n) &= [a^{n-1}]_{n-1}a + (-1)^n a[a^{n-1}]_{n-1}, \\ \partial_n([a^{n-1}b]_n) &= [a^{n-1}]_{n-1}b + (-1)^n a[a^{n-2}b]_{n-1} - [a^{n-2}b], \\ \partial_n([a^{n-1}c]_n) &= [a^{n-1}]_{n-1}c + (-1)^n a[a^{n-2}c]_{n-1} + [a^{n-2}c] \end{aligned}$$

for  $n \geq 2$ . Since  $|V_n| = 3$  for  $n \geq 1$ , we can give our resolution simply as

$$(26) \quad \dots \xrightarrow{\partial} A \cdot \Sigma \cdot A \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} A \cdot \Sigma \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial} \dots \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} A \cdot \Sigma \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial} A \cdot \Sigma \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_1} A[ ]A \xrightarrow{\epsilon} A,$$

where  $\partial$  and  $\bar{\partial}$  are  $A$ -bimodule morphisms from  $A \cdot \Sigma \cdot A$  to  $A \cdot \Sigma \cdot A$  given by

$$\partial([a]) = [a]a + a[b], \partial([b]) = [a]b + a[b] - [b], \partial([c]) = [a]c + a[c] + [c]$$

and

$$\bar{\partial}([a]) = [a]a - a[b], \bar{\partial}([b]) = [a]b - a[b] - [b], \bar{\partial}([c]) = [a]c - a[c] + [c].$$

Here, for simplicity, we assume that  $K$  is a field. First, suppose that the characteristic of  $K$  is not equal to 2, and we shall compute the cohomology  $H^n(A)$ . Taking the functor  $\text{Hom}_{A,A}(\cdot, A)$  on (26), we have a complex

$$A \xrightarrow{\partial_1^*} A^3 \xrightarrow{\partial^*} A^3 \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}^*} A^3 \xrightarrow{\partial^*} A^3 \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}^*} \dots,$$



where  $\partial_1^*$ ,  $\partial^*$  and  $\bar{\partial}^*$  are  $K$ -linear mappings given by

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_1^*(x) &= (xa - ax, xb - bx, xc - cx), \\ \partial^*(x, y, z) &= (xa + ax, xb + ay - y, xc + az + z), \\ \bar{\partial}^*(x, y, z) &= (xa - ax, xb - ay - y, xc - az + z), \end{aligned}$$

for  $x, y, z \in A$ . Let  $\theta, \bar{\theta}, \gamma, \bar{\gamma}, \eta_b$  and  $\eta_c$  be  $K$ -linear mappings from  $A$  to  $A$  defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(x) &= xa + ax, \bar{\theta}(x) = xa - ax, \\ \gamma(x) &= x + ax, \bar{\gamma}(x) = x - ax, \\ \eta_b(x) &= xb, \eta_c(x) = xc \end{aligned}$$

for  $x \in A$ . Then,

$$(27) \quad \partial^*(x, y, z) = (\theta(x), -\bar{\gamma}(y) + \eta_b(x), \gamma(z) + \eta_c(x))$$

and

$$(28) \quad \bar{\partial}^*(x, y, z) = (\bar{\theta}(x), -\gamma(y) + \eta_b(x), \bar{\gamma}(z) + \eta_c(x)).$$

We claim that

$$(29) \quad \text{Ker}(\theta) = \text{Im}(\bar{\theta}) = K \cdot b\{b, c\}^*(a - 1) \oplus K \cdot c\{b, c\}^*(a + 1),$$

$$(30) \quad \text{Ker}(\bar{\theta}) = \text{Im}(\theta) = K \cdot b\{b, c\}^*(a + 1) \oplus K \cdot c\{b, c\}^*(a - 1) \oplus K \cdot \{a, 1\},$$

$$(31) \quad \text{Ker}(\gamma) = \text{Im}(\bar{\gamma}) = K \cdot c\{b, c\}^*\{a, 1\} \oplus K \cdot (a - 1),$$

$$(32) \quad \text{Ker}(\bar{\gamma}) = \text{Im}(\gamma) = K \cdot b\{b, c\}^*\{a, 1\} \oplus K \cdot (a + 1).$$

In fact, let  $x$  be an element written as (25) and suppose that  $\theta(x) = xa + ax = 0$ . Then we have

$$xa + ax = \Sigma(k_i + \ell_i)bx_i(a + 1) + \sum(\ell'_i - k'_i)cx_i(a - 1) + 2\ell a + 2k = 0,$$

and hence

$$k = \ell = 0, k_i + \ell_i = 0, k'_i = \ell'_i$$

for any  $i$ . It follows that  $\text{Ker}(\theta)$  is equal to the right-hand side of (29). On the other hand, for  $x \in A$  given as (25) we have

$$\bar{\theta}(z) = xa - ax = -\Sigma(k_i - \ell_i)bx_i(a - 1) + \sum(k'_i + \ell'_i)cx_i(a + 1).$$

This implies that  $\text{Im}(\bar{\theta})$  is also equal to the right-hand side of (29). The other equalities can be shown similarly.

From (27), (28) and equalities (29)–(32), we see that

$$\text{Ker}(\partial^*) = \text{Im}(\bar{\partial}^*), \text{Ker}(\bar{\partial}^*) = \text{Im}(\partial^*),$$

and we find

$$H^n(A) = 0$$

for every  $n \geq 2$ .

Next we calculate  $H^1(A)$ . Since

$$\partial_1(x) = (\bar{\theta}(x), \bar{\theta}_2(x)),$$

where the  $K$ -linear mapping  $\bar{\theta}_2 : A \rightarrow A^2$  is defined by  $\bar{\theta}_2(x) = (xb - bx, xc - cx)$  for  $x \in A$ , we have

$$(33) \quad H^1(A) = \frac{\text{Ker}(\partial)}{\text{Im}(\partial_1)} \cong \frac{\text{Ker}(\bar{\gamma}) \oplus \text{Ker}(\gamma)}{\bar{\theta}_2(\text{Ker}(\bar{\theta}))}.$$

Let  $x \in \text{Ker}(\bar{\theta})$ , then, by (30),  $x$  is written as

$$x = \sum k_i b x_i (a + 1) + \sum \ell_i c x_i (a - 1) + ka + \ell.$$

We have

$$xb - bx = \sum k_i b(2x_i b - b x_i (a + 1)) - \sum \ell_i b c x_i (a - 1) - kb(a - 1).$$

Thus, we can show that  $b^2, b^3, \dots, b^i, \dots$  are linearly independent elements in  $\text{Ker}(\bar{\gamma})$  modulo  $\{xb - bx \mid x \in \text{Ker}(\bar{\theta})\}$ . In virtue of (33), we find that  $H^1(A)$  is infinite dimensional over  $K$ ;

$$H^1(A) = K^\infty.$$

Finally, it is easy to see that

$$H^0(A) = \text{Ker}(\partial_1) = K.$$

Next, suppose  $\text{char}(K) = 2$ . In this case, by the generator change  $a \rightarrow a + 1$ , we have a new presentation  $K\Sigma^*/I(G')$  with  $G' = \{a^2, ab, ac\}$  for  $A$ . Using this Gröbner base  $G'$ , we have a free resolution

$$\dots \xrightarrow{\partial} A \cdot \Sigma \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial} \dots \xrightarrow{\partial} A \cdot \Sigma \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_1} A[ ]A \xrightarrow{\epsilon} A,$$

where the differentiation  $\partial$  is given by

$$\partial([a]) = [a]a + a[a], \partial([b]) = [a]b + a[b], \partial([c]) = [a]c + a[c].$$

Using this resolution, though we omit the calculation, we can get

$$H^0(A) = K$$

and

$$H^n(A) = K^\infty$$

for  $n \geq 1$ .

Summarizing, we have

$$H^0(A) = K, \quad H^1(A) = K^\infty, \\ H^n(A) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \text{char}(K) \neq 2, \\ K^\infty & \text{if } \text{char}(K) = 2, \end{cases}$$

for  $n \geq 2$ .

**Example 8.2.** Let  $U$  be an *overlap-free* subset of  $\Sigma^* \setminus \{1\}$ , that is,

- (i) any  $u \in U$  is not a subword of another word in  $U$ , and
- (ii) any  $u$  and  $v$  in  $U$  do not overlap, that is,  $u = u't$  and  $v = tv'$  with  $u', v', t \in \Sigma^*$  imply  $t = 1$ .

Let  $G$  be a monic subset of  $F = K\Sigma^*$  such that the mapping sending  $g$  to  $\text{lt}(g)$  is a bijection from  $G$  to  $U$ . Then  $G$  is a normalized Gröbner base on  $F$ . There is no critical pairs for  $G$  by condition (ii). Thus,  $C_n = \emptyset$  for all  $n \geq 3$  in Theorem 7.6, and we have a resolution

$$0 \rightarrow A \cdot U \cdot A \rightarrow A \cdot \Sigma \cdot A \rightarrow A \cdot [ ] \cdot A \rightarrow A.$$

Hence,  $H^n(A) = 0$  for  $n \geq 3$ .

**Example 8.3.** Let  $U$  be a subset of  $\Sigma^{\geq 2}$  satisfying (i) in Example 8.2. Then,  $U$  is a normalized Gröbner base considered as a subset of  $F$  consisting of only monic monomials. We have a *monomial algebra*  $A = F/I(U)$  with augmentation mapping  $\bar{\epsilon} : A \rightarrow K$  defined by  $\bar{\epsilon}(a) = 0$  for all  $a \in \Sigma$ . Here, we assume that  $U$  satisfies the following additional condition:

(iii) There are no words  $u, v, w, x \in U$ ,  $z_1, z_2, z_3, z_5, z_6, z_7 \in \Sigma^+$  and  $z_4 \in \Sigma^*$  such that  $u = z_1z_2z_3, v = z_2z_3z_4z_5, w = z_3z_4z_5z_6$  and  $x = z_5z_6z_7$ .

For  $n \geq 1$  let  $C_n$  be the set of sequences  $[a, u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}]$  of length  $n$  such that  $au_1 \in U$  and  $u_iu_{i+1}$  is a minimal  $U$ -reducible word, that is,  $u_i = u'_iw_i \in U$  for some  $w_i \in \Sigma^*$  and  $w_iu_{i+1}$  is an only subword of  $u_iu_{i+1}$  from  $U$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n - 2$ . Suppose that  $n \geq 3$  and let  $w_1u_2 = bu_2^\dagger$  with  $b \in \Sigma$  and  $u_2^\dagger \in \Sigma^+$ . By condition (iii) we see  $[b, u_2^\dagger, u_3, \dots, u_{n-1}] \in C_{n-1}$ .

Now, our construction gives a resolution

$$(34) \quad \cdots \rightarrow A \cdot C_n \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_n} A \cdot C_{n-1} \cdot A \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow A \cdot C_1 \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_1} A \cdot [ ] \cdot A \rightarrow A$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_1([a]) &= [ ]a - a[ ], \\ \partial_2([a, u_1]) &= [a]u_1 + a[a_2]a_3 \cdots a_l + \cdots + aa_2 \cdots a_{l-1}[a_l], \end{aligned}$$

where  $u_1 = a_2 \cdots a_l$ , and for  $n \geq 3$ ,

$$\partial_n([a, u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}]) = [a, u_1, \dots, u_{n-2}]u_{n-1} + (-1)^n au'_1[b, u_2^\dagger, \dots, u_{n-1}].$$

Tensoring the complex (34) with  $K$  over  $A$  from both sides, we have a complex

$$\cdots \rightarrow K \cdot C_n \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}_n} K \cdot C_{n-1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow K \cdot C_1 \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}_1} K \cdot [ ] \rightarrow K,$$

where all the differentiations  $\bar{\partial}_n$  are 0. Hence,

$$\text{Tor}_n^A(K, K) = K^{c_n}$$

for all  $n \geq 1$ , where  $c_n$  is the cardinality of the set  $C_n$ . This, in particular, means that the resolution (34) is *minimal*.

**Example 8.4.** Let  $\Lambda = K \cdot \Sigma$  be a Lie algebra over  $K$ , which is a free  $K$ -module generated by a well-ordered set  $(\Sigma, >)$ . For different  $a, b \in \Sigma$ , the Lie product  $[a, b]$  is a linear combination  $\ell(a, b)$  of elements of  $\Sigma$  over  $K$ . The enveloping algebra  $A$  of  $L$  is the associative algebra which is the quotient algebra of  $F = K \cdot \Sigma^*$  modulo the ideal generated by  $G = \{ab - ba - \ell(a, b) \mid a > b\}$ . We can easily check that  $G$  is a normalized Gröbner base for  $A$  with respect to the order  $\succ_{\text{lex}}$  defined through the order  $>$  on  $\Sigma$ . For  $n \geq 0$  let  $C_n$  be the set of words  $a_1 \cdots a_n \in \Sigma^*$  with  $a_1 < a_2 < \cdots < a_n$  of length  $n$ . Then, we have an  $A$ -bimodule resolution

$$\cdots \rightarrow A \cdot C_n \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_n} A \cdot C_{n-1} \cdot A \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow A \cdot C_2 \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_2} A \cdot \Sigma \cdot S \xrightarrow{\partial_1} A[ ]A \rightarrow A \rightarrow 0.$$

Here,  $\text{Ker}(\partial_{n-1})$  has a Gröbner base  $H_n = \{h_v \mid v \in C_n\}$  on  $F \cdot C_{n-1} \cdot F$  modulo  $G$  such that  $\text{lt}(h_v) = [a_1a_2 \cdots a_{n-1}]a_n$ , and  $\partial_p([v]) = \rho_{C_{n-1}}(h_v)$ .

To describe the differential mapping  $\partial$  neatly we identify the  $K$ -space  $K \cdot C_n$  with the component  $\bigwedge_n(\Lambda)$  of degree  $n$  of the exterior algebra  $\bigwedge(\Lambda)$  of  $\Lambda$  over  $K$ . Following our construction we get the differential mapping  $\partial : A \cdot \bigwedge(\Lambda) \cdot A =$

$A \otimes_K \bigwedge(\Lambda) \otimes_K A \rightarrow A \cdot \bigwedge(\Lambda) \cdot A$  given by

$$\begin{aligned} \partial(x_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge x_n) &= \sum (-1)^i x_i \otimes x_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \check{x}_i \wedge \cdots \wedge x_n \\ &\quad - \sum (-1)^i x_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \check{x}_i \wedge \cdots \wedge x_n \otimes x_i \\ &\quad + \sum_{i < j} (-1)^{i+j} \ell(x_i, x_j) \wedge x_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \check{x}_i \wedge \cdots \wedge \check{x}_j \wedge \cdots \wedge x_n. \end{aligned}$$

This is a two-sided version of the *standard complex* for  $\Lambda$  ([7], Chap. 8, Theorem 7.1).

For example, let  $A$  be the enveloping algebra of the Lie algebra  $so(3)$  generated by  $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$  subject to the relations

$$[a, b] = c, [b, c] = a, [a, c] = -b.$$

Then, we have the Gröbner base

$$G = \{g_1 = ab - ba - c, g_2 = bc - cb - a, g_3 = ac - ca + b\}$$

on  $F = K\Sigma^*$  for  $A$  and the resolution

$$0 \rightarrow A \cdot [h] \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_3} A \cdot G \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_2} A \cdot \Sigma \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_1} A[\ ]A \rightarrow A,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_2([g_1]) &= [a]b + a[b] - [b]a - b[a] - [c], \\ \partial_2([g_2]) &= [b]c + b[c] - [c]b - c[b] - [a], \\ \partial_2([g_3]) &= [a]c + a[c] - [c]a - c[a] + [b], \\ \partial_3([h]) &= [g_1]c - c[g_1] - a[g_2] + [g_2]a + b[g_3] - [g_3]b. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we consider an algebra that admits no finite Gröbner base. The following example is taken from Kobayashi [17].

**Example 8.5.** Let  $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$ . Let  $I$  be the ideal of  $F = K \cdot \Sigma^*$  generated by  $\{ba - ab, bc - aca, acc\}$  and let  $A = F/I$ . Consider the weight function  $\omega : \Sigma^* \rightarrow \mathbf{N}$  defined by  $\omega(a) = \omega(c) = 1, \omega(b) = 2$ . Let  $\preceq$  be the order on  $\Sigma^*$  given as follows. For  $x, y \in \Sigma^*$  define  $x \preceq y$  if and only if either  $\omega(x) < \omega(y)$  or  $\omega(x) = \omega(y)$  and  $x$  is lexicographically smaller than  $y$ . By the Knuth-Bendix completion procedure [15] (see also Kapur and Narendran [14]) based on this well-ordering, we have a normalized infinite Gröbner base of  $I$ :

$$\{ba - ab, bc - aca, a^n ca^{n-1}c \mid n = 1, 2, \dots\}.$$

In [17] it is proved that  $A$  has no Gröbner base  $G$  such that  $\text{Dom}(G)$  forms a regular language, *a fortiori*,  $A$  has no finite Gröbner base. Set

$$G = \{\alpha, \beta, \gamma_n \mid n = 1, 2, \dots\},$$

where  $\alpha, \beta$  and  $\gamma_n$  correspond to the elements  $ba - ab, bc - aca$  and  $a^n ca^{n-1}c$ , respectively, and for  $p \geq 1$  set

$$\begin{aligned} H_p &= \{\alpha(m_1, \dots, m_p), \gamma(n_1, \dots, n_p, n_{p+1}) \mid m_1 > \cdots > m_p > 0, \\ &\quad n_1 > \cdots > n_{p+1} > 0\}. \end{aligned}$$

Our construction gives the following resolution of  $A$ :

$$(35) \quad \cdots \rightarrow A \cdot H_p \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_{p+2}} A \cdot H_{p-1} \cdot A \rightarrow \cdots \xrightarrow{\partial_4} A \cdot H_1 \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_3} A \cdot G \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_2} A \cdot \Sigma \cdot A \xrightarrow{\partial_1} A[\ ]A \xrightarrow{\epsilon} A,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_1([a]) &= [ ]a - a[ ], \partial_1([b]) = [ ]b - b[ ], \partial_1([c]) = [ ]c - c[ ], \\ \partial_2([\alpha]) &= [b]a + b[a] - [a]b - a[b], \partial_2([\beta]) = [b]c + b[c] - [a]ca - a[c]a - ac[a], \\ \partial_2([\gamma_n]) &= [a]a^{n-1}ca^{n-1}c + \dots + a^{n-1}[a]ca^{n-1}c + a^n[c]a^{n-1}c + a^n c[a]a^{n-2}c \\ &\quad + \dots + a^n ca^{n-2}[a]c + a^n ca^{n-1}[c], \\ \partial_3([\alpha(n)]) &= [\alpha]a^{n-1}ca^{n-1}c - b[\gamma_n] + [\gamma_{n+1}] + a[\alpha]a^{n-2}ca^{n-1}c \\ &\quad + \dots + a^{n-1}[\alpha]ca^{n-1}c + a^n[\beta]a^{n-1}c, \\ \partial_3([\gamma(n, m)]) &= [\gamma_n]a^{m-1}c - a^n ca^{n-m-1}[\gamma_m], \end{aligned}$$

and for  $p \geq 2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_{p+2}([\alpha(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_p)]) &= [\alpha(n_1, \dots, n_{p-1})]a^{n_p}c \\ &\quad + (-1)^p b[\gamma(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_p)] + (-1)^{p-1}[\gamma(n_1 + 1, n_2, \dots, n_p)], \\ \partial_{p+2}([\gamma(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_p, n_{p+1})]) &= [\gamma(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_p)]a^{n_{p+1}}c \\ &\quad + (-1)^p a^{n_1}ca^{n_1-n_2-1}[\gamma(n_2, \dots, n_p, n_{p+1})]. \end{aligned}$$

Via the augmentation mapping  $\bar{\epsilon} : A \rightarrow K$  defined by  $\bar{\epsilon}(a) = \bar{\epsilon}(b) = \bar{\epsilon}(c) = 0$ ,  $K$  is the  $A$ -bimodule. Tensoring (35) with  $K$  over  $A$  from both sides, we have a complex

$$\dots \rightarrow K \cdot H_p \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}_p} K \cdot H_{p-1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow K \cdot H_1 \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}_3} K \cdot G \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}_2} K \cdot \Sigma \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}_1} K \cdot [ ] \rightarrow 0,$$

where  $\bar{\partial}_1 = \bar{\partial}_2 = 0$ ,  $\bar{\partial}_3([\alpha(n)]) = [\gamma_{n+1}]$ ,  $\partial_3([\gamma(n, m)]) = 0$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\partial}_{p+2}([\alpha(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_p)]) &= (-1)^{p-1}[\gamma(n_1 + 1, n_2, \dots, n_p)], \\ \bar{\partial}_{p+2}([\gamma(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_p, n_{p+1})]) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for  $p \geq 2$ . Thus, we have

$$\text{Tor}_n^A(K, K) = \text{Ker}(\bar{\partial}_n) / \text{Im}(\bar{\partial}_{n+1}) = \begin{cases} K & \text{if } n = 0, \\ K^3 & \text{if } n = 1, 2, \\ K^\infty & \text{if } n \geq 3. \end{cases}$$

*Remark 8.6.* The Hochschild cohomology of finite dimensional algebras over a field has been extensively studied (see [10], [19] for example). Since a finite dimensional algebra has a finite Gröbner base, we can apply our method, but it is not a clever way. For example, even the one-arrow quiver algebra is presented as the quotient of the free algebra generated by two elements  $a$  and  $b$  modulo the ideal generated by the Gröbner base  $\{a^2, ab, b^2 - b, ba - a\}$ . The resolution constructed on this base is not neat at all. Instead, by considering Gröbner bases on path algebras and projective bimodules, we can construct simpler resolutions for algebras presented as quotients of path algebras. This will be discussed in a forthcoming paper.

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