

$$A\text{-comm alg} / \mathbb{F}_p \quad P \twoheadrightarrow A$$

(fin. gen.)

$$\mathbb{Z}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$$

$$J \subset P \rightarrow A$$

kernel

Consider the (relative) pd envelope of J :

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathbb{Z}_p & \rightarrow & P & \rightarrow & D \\ \cup & & \cup & & \cup \\ (p) & \rightarrow & J & \rightarrow & \overline{J} \end{array}$$

(Recall: $p_{n!}^n \in \mathbb{Z}$; on any pB

for a $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -algebra B ,
 $\gamma_n(pb) = \frac{p_{n!}^n}{n!} \cdot b^n$ is a well-defined pd structure.)

Then take completion.

What exactly is completion?

One way: in fact we have a projective system of

$$P = P/(p^k) \rightarrow A$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \searrow \\ J & & \\ J_k & & D^k \\ & \searrow & \downarrow \\ & \overline{J}_k & \gamma_k \end{array}$$

relative pd completion.

Get a projective system

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \rightarrow & D_k & \rightarrow & D_{k-1} & \rightarrow & \dots \\ & \cup & & \cup & & \\ \rightarrow & \overline{J}_k & \rightarrow & \overline{J}_{k-1} & \rightarrow & \dots \end{array}$$

Next: $D^{(n)}$ = relative pd envelope of

$$\begin{array}{c} J^{(n)} \\ \downarrow \\ P^{(n)} = P \otimes \dots \otimes P_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \\ \downarrow \\ A \end{array}$$

multiplication followed by $P \rightarrow A$

Again, actually have a projective system

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \dots & \rightarrow & D_k^{(n)} & \rightarrow & D_{k-1}^{(n)} & \rightarrow & \dots \\ & & \cup & & \cup & & \\ \dots & \rightarrow & \overline{J}_k^{(n)} & \rightarrow & \overline{J}_{k-1}^{(n)} & \rightarrow & \dots \end{array}$$

The Alexander (Čech) - Spanier

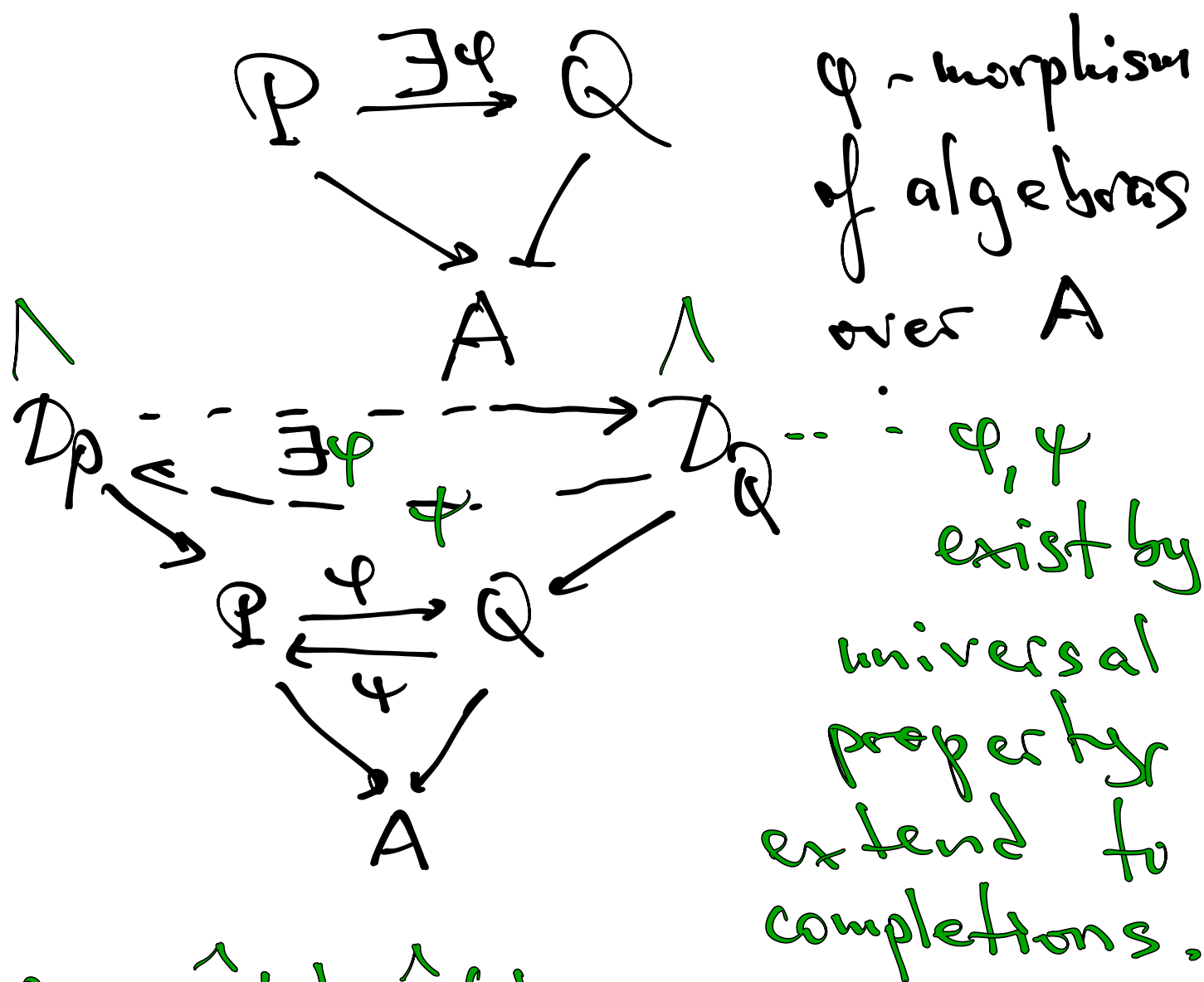
complex:

$$\hat{D} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \hat{D}^{(n)} \rightarrow \hat{D}^{(n+1)} \rightarrow \dots$$

$$a_0 \otimes \dots \otimes a_n \mapsto \sum_{j=0}^{n+1} (-1)^j a_0 \otimes \dots \otimes 1 \otimes \dots$$

Fact: the homotopy class of this complex does not depend on P .

Proof



Same for $\hat{D}_P^{(n)}, \hat{D}_Q^{(n)}$.

We claim $\psi\varphi \sim id$, $\varphi\psi \sim id$. Enough

to construct a homotopy between
 any $\varphi, \psi: \hat{D}^{(1)} \rightrightarrows \hat{D}^{(0)}$, morphisms of
 $\hat{D}^{(0)}$ induced by $\varphi, \psi: \hat{D} \rightrightarrows A$ over A .

Explicitly:

$$h(\varphi, \psi)(a_0 \otimes \dots \otimes a_n) =$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (-1)^j \varphi(a_0) \otimes \dots \otimes \varphi(a_j) \psi(a_{j+1}) \otimes \dots \otimes \psi(a_n)$$

In fact: $a_0 \xrightarrow{d} a_0 \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes a_0 \xrightarrow{h} \varphi(a_0) - \psi(a_0) \checkmark$

$$a_0 \otimes a_1 \xrightarrow{d} 1 \otimes a_0 \otimes a_1 - a_0 \otimes 1 \otimes a_1 + a_0 \otimes a_1 \otimes 1$$

$$\downarrow h$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \underbrace{\varphi(a_0) \otimes \varphi(a_1)} - \cancel{\varphi(a_0) \otimes \varphi(a_1)} + \cancel{\varphi(a_0) \varphi(a_1) \otimes} \\ & - 1 \otimes \cancel{\varphi(a_0) \varphi(a_1)} + \cancel{\varphi(a_0) \otimes \varphi(a_1)} - \underbrace{\varphi(a_0) \otimes \varphi(a_1)} \\ & \varphi(a_0) \varphi(a_1) \xrightarrow{d} 1 \otimes \cancel{\varphi(a_0) \varphi(a_1)} - \cancel{\varphi(a_0) \varphi(a_1) \otimes 1} \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

etc.

Next: 1) why is this homotopy coherent
 (and therefore we can glue)

- 2) Why do they extend to completions.
- 3) Comparison to De Rham.