

Finite generation and continuity of topological Hochschild and cyclic homology

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Abstract

The goal of this paper is to establish fundamental properties of the Hochschild, topological Hochschild, and topological cyclic homologies of commutative, Noetherian rings, which are assumed only to be F-finite in the majority of our results. This mild hypothesis is satisfied in all cases of interest in finite and mixed characteristic algebraic geometry. We prove firstly that the topological Hochschild homology groups, and the homotopy groups of the fixed point spectra TR^r , are finitely generated modules. We use this to establish the continuity of these homology theories for any given ideal. A consequence of such continuity results is the pro Hochschild–Kostant–Rosenberg theorem for topological Hochschild and cyclic homology. Finally, we show more generally that the aforementioned finite generation and continuity properties remain true for any proper scheme over such a ring.

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0 INTRODUCTION

The aim of this paper is to prove fundamental finite generation, continuity, and pro Hochschild–Kostant–Rosenberg theorems for the Hochschild, topological Hochschild, and topological cyclic homologies of commutative, Noetherian rings. As far as we are aware, these are the first general results on finite generation and continuity of topological Hochschild and cyclic homology, despite the obvious foundational importance of such problems in the subject.

The fundamental hypothesis for the majority of our theorems is the classical notion of F-finiteness:

Definition 0.1. A $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra (always commutative) is said to be *F-finite* if and only if the \mathbb{F}_p -algebra A/pA is finitely generated over its subring of p^{th} -powers.

This is a mild condition: it is satisfied as soon as A/pA is obtained from a perfect field by iterating the following constructions any finite number of times: passing to finitely generated algebras, localising, completing, or Henselising; see Lemma 2.8.

To state our main finite generation result, we first remark that the Hochschild homology $HH_n(A)$ of a ring A is always understood in the derived sense (see Section 1.2). Secondly, $THH_n(A)$ denotes the topological Hochschild homology groups of a ring A , while $TR_n^r(A; p)$ denotes, as is now usual, the homotopy groups of the fixed point spectrum for the action of the cyclic group C_{p^r-1} on the topological Hochschild homology spectrum $THH(A)$. It is known that $TR_n^r(A; p)$ is naturally a module over the p -typical Witt ring $W_r(A)$. The obvious notation will be used for the p -completed, or finite coefficient, versions of these theories, and for their extensions to quasi-separated, quasi-compact schemes following [8].

Our main finite generation result is the following, where $A_p^\wedge = \varprojlim_s A/p^s A$ denotes the p -completion of a ring A :

Theorem 0.2 (see Corol. 3.8). *Let A be a Noetherian, F-finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra. Then:*

- (i) $HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}_p)$ and $THH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}_p)$ are finitely generated A_p^\wedge -modules for all $n \geq 0$.
- (ii) $TR_n^r(A; p, \mathbb{Z}_p)$ is a finitely generated $W_r(A_p^\wedge)$ -module for all $n \geq 0$, $r \geq 1$.

The key step towards proving Theorem 0.2 is the following finite generation result for the André–Quillen homology of \mathbb{F}_p -algebras:

Theorem 0.3 (see Thm. 3.6). *Let A be a Noetherian, F-finite \mathbb{F}_p -algebra. Then the André–Quillen homology groups $D_n^i(A/\mathbb{F}_p)$ are finitely generated for all $n, i \geq 0$.*

Next we turn to “degree-wise continuity” for the homology theories HH , THH , and TR^r , by which we mean the following: given an ideal $I \subseteq A$, we examine when the natural map of pro A -modules

$$\{HH_n(A) \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s \longrightarrow \{HH_n(A/I^s)\}_s$$

is an isomorphism, and similarly for THH and TR^r . This question was first raised by L. Hesselholt in 2001 [4], who later proved with T. Geisser the THH isomorphism in the special case that $A = R[X_1, \dots, X_d]$ and $R = \langle X_1, \dots, X_s \rangle$ for any ring R [11, §1].

In Section 4.2 we prove the following:

Theorem 0.4 (see Thm. 4.3). *Let A satisfy the same conditions as Theorem 0.2, and let $I \subseteq A$ be an ideal. Then the following canonical maps of pro A -modules*

$$\{HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s \longrightarrow \{HH_n(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s$$

$$\{THH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s \longrightarrow \{THH_n(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s$$

and the following canonical map of pro $W_r(A)$ -modules

$$\{TR_n^r(A; p, \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(A/I^s)\}_s \longrightarrow \{TR_n^r(A/I^s; p, \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s$$

are isomorphisms for all $n \geq 0$ and $r, v \geq 1$.

Applying Theorem 0.4 simultaneously to A and its completion $\widehat{A} = \varprojlim_s A/I^s$ with respect to the ideal I , we obtain the following corollary:

Corollary 0.5 (see Corol. 4.4). *Let A be a Noetherian, F -finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, and $I \subseteq A$ an ideal. Then all of the following canonical maps (not just the compositions) are isomorphisms for all $n \geq 0$ and $r, v \geq 1$:*

$$HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_A \widehat{A} \longrightarrow HH_n(\widehat{A}; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s HH_n(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$$

$$THH_n(A) \otimes_A \widehat{A} \longrightarrow THH_n(\widehat{A}) \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s THH_n(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$$

$$TR_n^r(A; p, \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(\widehat{A}) \longrightarrow TR_n^r(\widehat{A}; p, \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s TR_n^r(A/I^s; p, \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$$

Of a more topological nature than such degree-wise continuity statements are spectral continuity, namely the question of whether the canonical map of spectra

$$THH(A) \longrightarrow \operatorname{holim}_s THH(A/I^s)$$

is a weak-equivalence, at least after p -completion. The analogous continuity question for K -theory was studied for discrete valuation rings by A. Suslin [37], I. Panin [28], and the first author [6], and for power series rings $A = R[[X_1, \dots, X_d]]$ over a regular, F -finite \mathbb{F}_p -algebra R by Geisser and Hesselholt [11], with $I = \langle X_1, \dots, X_d \rangle$. Geisser and Hesselholt proved the continuity of K -theory in such cases by establishing it first for THH and TR^r .

We use the previous degree-wise continuity results to prove the following:

Theorem 0.6 (see Thm. 4.5). *Let A be a Noetherian, F -finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, and $I \subseteq A$ an ideal; assume that A is I -adically complete. Then the following canonical maps are weak equivalences after p -completion:*

$$THH(A) \longrightarrow \operatorname{holim}_s THH(A/I^s)$$

$$TR^r(A; p) \longrightarrow \operatorname{holim}_s TR^r(A/I^s; p) \quad (r \geq 1)$$

and similarly for $TR(-; p)$, $TC^r(-; p)$, and $TC(-; p)$.

There are two important special cases in which the results so far can be analysed further: when p is nilpotent, and when p generates I . Firstly, if p is nilpotent in A , for example if A is a Noetherian, F -finite, \mathbb{F}_p -algebra, then Theorem 0.2 – Theorem 0.6 are true integrally, without p -completing or working with finite coefficients; see Corollaries 3.9 and 4.6 for precise statements. The second important special case is $I = pA$, when Theorems 0.4 and 0.6 simplify to the following statements:

Corollary 0.7 (see Corol. 4.8). *Let A be a Noetherian, F -finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra. Then the following canonical maps are isomorphisms for all $n \geq 0$ and $v, r \geq 1$:*

$$\begin{aligned} HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) &\longrightarrow \{HH_n(A/p^s A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s \\ THH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) &\longrightarrow \{THH_n(A/p^s A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s \\ TR_n^r(A; p, \mathbb{Z}/p^v) &\longrightarrow \{TR_n^r(A/p^s A; p, \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s \\ TC_n^r(A; p, \mathbb{Z}/p^v) &\longrightarrow \{TC_n^r(A/p^s A; p, \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, all of the following maps (not just the compositions) are weak equivalences after p -completion:

$$\begin{aligned} THH(A) &\longrightarrow THH(\widehat{A}_p) \longrightarrow \operatorname{holim}_s THH(A/p^s A) \\ TR^r(A; p) &\longrightarrow TR^r(\widehat{A}_p; p) \longrightarrow \operatorname{holim}_s TR^r(A/p^s A; p) \quad (r \geq 1), \end{aligned}$$

and similarly for $TR(-; p)$, $TC^r(-; p)$, and $TC(-; p)$.

Corollary 0.7 was proved by Hesselholt and I. Madsen [16, Thm. 5.1] for finite algebras over the Witt vectors of perfect fields, and then by Geisser and Hesselholt [10, §3] for any (possibly non-commutative) ring A in which p is a non-zero divisor. Our result eliminates the assumption that p be a non-zero divisor, but at the expense of requiring A to be a Noetherian, F -finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra.

Next we present our pro Hochschild–Kostant–Rosenberg theorems, which can be found in Section 4.3, starting with algebraic Hochschild homology. Given a geometrically regular (e.g., smooth) morphism $k \rightarrow A$ of Noetherian rings, the classical Hochschild–Kostant–Rosenberg theorem states that the antisymmetrisation map $\Omega_{A/k}^n \rightarrow HH_n^k(A)$ is an isomorphism of A -modules for all $n \geq 0$. We establish its pro analogue in full generality:

Theorem 0.8 (see Thm. 4.11). *Let $k \rightarrow A$ be a geometrically regular morphism of Noetherian rings, and let $I \subseteq A$ be an ideal. Then the canonical map of pro A -modules*

$$\{\Omega_{(A/I^s)/k}^n\}_s \longrightarrow \{HH_n^k(A/I^s)\}_s$$

is an isomorphism for all $n \geq 0$.

In the special case of finite type algebras over fields, the theorem was proved by G. Cortiñas, C. Haesemeyer, and C. Weibel [5, Thm. 3.2]. The stronger form presented here has recently been required in the study of infinitesimal deformations of algebraic cycles [2, 26].

The analogue of the classical Hochschild–Kostant–Rosenberg theorem for topological Hochschild homology and the fixed point spectra TR^r were established by Hesselholt [15, Thm. B] and state the following: If A is a regular \mathbb{F}_p -algebra, then there is a natural isomorphism of $W_r(A)$ -modules

$$\bigoplus_{i=0}^n W_r \Omega_A^i \otimes_{W_r(\mathbb{F}_p)} TR_{n-i}^r(\mathbb{F}_p; p) \xrightarrow{\cong} TR_n^r(A; p),$$

where $W_r \Omega_A^*$ denotes the de Rham–Witt complex of S. Bloch, P. Deligne, and L. Illusie. In the limit over r , Hesselholt moreover showed that the contribution from the left side vanishes except in top degree $i = n$, giving an isomorphism of pro abelian groups $\{W_r \Omega_A^i\}_r \cong \{TR_n^r(A; p)\}_r$ which deserves to be called the Hochschild–Kostant–Rosenberg theorem for the pro spectrum $\{TR^r\}_r$.

We prove the following pro versions of these HKR theorem with respect to powers of an ideal:

Theorem 0.9 (see Thm. 4.15 & Corol. 4.16). *Let A be a regular, F -finite \mathbb{F}_p -algebra, and $I \subseteq A$ an ideal. Then:*

(i) *The canonical map*

$$\bigoplus_{i=0}^n \{W_r \Omega_{A/I^s}^i \otimes_{W_r(\mathbb{F}_p)} TR_{n-i}^r(\mathbb{F}_p; p)\}_s \longrightarrow \{TR_n^r(A/I^s; p)\}_s$$

of pro $W_r(A)$ -modules is an isomorphism for all $n \geq 0$, $r \geq 1$.

(ii) *The canonical map of pro pro abelian groups, i.e., in the category $\text{Pro}(\text{Pro Ab})$,*

$$\{\{W_r \Omega_{A/I^s}^n\}_s\}_r \longrightarrow \{\{TR_n^r(A/I^s; p)\}_s\}_r$$

is an isomorphism for all $n \geq 0$.

Finally, in Section 5, the earlier finite generation and continuity results are extended from Noetherian, F -finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebras to proper schemes over such rings. These are obtained by combining the results in the affine case with Zariski descent and Grothendieck's formal functions theorem for coherent cohomology. Our main finite generation result in this context is the following:

Theorem 0.10 (see Corol. 5.4). *Let A be a Noetherian, F -finite, finite Krull-dimensional $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, and X a proper scheme over A . Then:*

(i) *$HH_n(X; \mathbb{Z}_p)$ and $THH_n(X; \mathbb{Z}_p)$ are finitely generated A_p^\wedge -modules for all $n \geq 0$.*

(ii) *$TR_n^r(X; p, \mathbb{Z}_p)$ is a finitely generated $W_r(A_p^\wedge)$ -module for all $n \geq 0$, $r \geq 1$.*

Next we consider analogues of degree-wise continuity for proper schemes over A : given an ideal $I \subseteq A$ and a proper scheme X over A , we consider the natural map of pro A -modules

$$\{HH_n(X) \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s \longrightarrow \{HH_n(X_s)\}_s$$

where $X_s := X \times_A A/I^s$, and similarly for THH , TR . In this setup we establish the exact analogues of Theorem 0.4 and Corollary 0.5; see Theorem 5.6 and Corollary 5.7 for precise statements.

As in the affine case, we use these degree-wise continuity statements to deduce continuity of topological cyclic homology for proper schemes over our usual base rings:

Theorem 0.11 (see Thm. 5.8). *Let A be a Noetherian, F -finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, $I \subseteq A$ an ideal, and X be a proper scheme over A ; assume that A is I -adically complete. Then the following canonical maps of spectra are weak equivalences after p -completion:*

$$\begin{aligned} THH(X) &\longrightarrow \text{holim}_s THH(X_s) \\ TR^r(X; p) &\longrightarrow \text{holim}_s TR^r(X_s; p) \quad (r \geq 1), \end{aligned}$$

and similarly for $TR(-; p)$, $TC^r(-; p)$, and $TC(-; p)$.

Also as in the affine case, it is particularly interesting to consider the cases that p is nilpotent or is the generator of I ; see Corollaries 5.9 and 5.10.

Notation, etc.

All rings from Section 2 onwards are tacitly understood to be commutative; the strict exception is Proposition 4.1, which holds also in the non-commutative case. Modules are therefore understood to be symmetric bimodules whenever a bimodule structure is required for Hochschild homology; again, the strict exception is Proposition 4.1, where a non-symmetric module naturally appears.

Given a positive integer n , the n -torsion of an abelian group M is denoted by $M[n]$.

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1 REVIEW OF ARTIN–REES PROPERTIES AND HOMOLOGY THEORIES

1.1 Pro abelian groups and Artin–Rees properties

Here we summarise some results and notation concerning pro abelian group and pro modules which will be used throughout the paper.

If \mathcal{A} is a category, then we denote by $\text{Pro } \mathcal{A}$ the category of pro objects of \mathcal{A} indexed over the natural numbers. That is, an object of $\text{Pro } \mathcal{A}$ is an inverse system

$$M_\infty = \{M_s\}_s = "M_1 \leftarrow M_2 \leftarrow \dots",$$

where the objects M_i and the transition maps belong to \mathcal{A} ; the morphisms are given by

$$\text{Hom}_{\text{Pro } \mathcal{A}}(M_\infty, N_\infty) := \varprojlim_r \varinjlim_s \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(M_s, N_r).$$

If \mathcal{A} is abelian then so is $\text{Pro } \mathcal{A}$, and a pro object $M_\infty \in \text{Pro } \mathcal{A}$ is isomorphic to zero if and only if it satisfies the trivial Mittag-Leffler condition: that is, that for all $r \geq 1$ there exists $s \geq r$ such that the transition map $M_s \rightarrow M_r$ is zero.

We will be particularly interested in the cases $\mathcal{A} = Ab$ and $A\text{-mod}$, where A is a commutative ring, in which case we speak of pro abelian groups and pro A -modules respectively. When it is unlikely to cause any confusion, we will occasionally use ∞ notation in proofs for the sake of brevity; for example, if I is an ideal of a ring A and M is an A -module, then

$$M \otimes_A A/I^\infty = \{M \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s, \quad \text{HH}_n(A/I^\infty, M/I^\infty M) = \{\text{HH}_n(A/I^s, M/I^s M)\}_s.$$

For the sake of reference, we now formally state the fundamental Artin–Rees result which will be used repeatedly; this result appears to have been first noticed and exploited by M. André [1, Prop. 10 & Lem. 11] and D. Quillen [34, Lem. 9.9]:

Theorem 1.1 (André, Quillen). *Let A be a commutative, Noetherian ring, and $I \subseteq A$ an ideal.*

- (i) *If M is a finitely generated A -module, then the pro A -module $\{\text{Tor}_n^A(A/I^s, M)\}_s$ vanishes for all $n > 0$.*

(ii) The “completion” functor

$$\begin{aligned} - \otimes_A A/I^\infty &: A\text{-mod} \longrightarrow \text{Pro } A\text{-mod} \\ M &\mapsto \{M \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s \end{aligned}$$

is exact on the subcategory of finitely generated A -modules.

Sketch of proof. By picking a resolution P_\bullet of M by finitely generated projective A -modules and applying the classical Artin–Rees property to the pair $d(P_n) \subseteq P_{n-1}$, one sees that for each $r \geq 1$ there exists $s \geq r$ such that the map

$$\text{Tor}_n^A(A/I^s, M) \rightarrow \text{Tor}_n^A(A/I^r, M)$$

is zero. This proves (i). (ii) is just a restatement of (i). \square

Corollary 1.2. *Let A be a commutative, Noetherian ring, $I \subseteq A$ an ideal, and M a finitely generated A -module. Then the pro A -module $\{\text{Tor}_n^A(A/I^s, M/I^s)\}_s$ vanishes for all $n > 0$.*

Proof. For each $r \geq 1$ we may apply the previous theorem to the module M/I^r to see that there exists $s \geq r$ such that the second of the following arrows is zero:

$$\text{Tor}_n^A(A/I^s, M/I^s) \rightarrow \text{Tor}_n^A(A/I^s, M/I^r) \rightarrow \text{Tor}_n^A(A/I^r, M/I^r)$$

Hence the composition is zero, completing the proof. \square

Corollary 1.3. *Let A be a commutative, Noetherian ring, $I \subseteq A$ an ideal, M a finitely generated A -module, and G a finite group acting A -linearly on M . Then the canonical map of pro group homologies*

$$\{H_n(G, M) \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s \longrightarrow \{H_n(G, M/I^s M)\}_s$$

is an isomorphism for all $n \geq 0$.

Proof. Considering \mathbb{Z} as a left $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -module via the augmentation map, A/I^s as a right A -module, and M as an $A - \mathbb{Z}[G]$ -bimodule, there are first quadrant spectral sequences of A -modules with the same abutement by [40, Ex. 5.6.2]:

$$E_{ij}^2(s) = \text{Tor}_i^A(A/I^s, \text{Tor}_j^{\mathbb{Z}[G]}(M, \mathbb{Z})), \quad 'E_{ij}^2(s) = \text{Tor}_i^{\mathbb{Z}[G]}(\text{Tor}_j^A(A/I^s, M), \mathbb{Z}).$$

These assemble to first quadrant spectral sequences of pro A -modules with the same abutement:

$$E_{ij}^2(\infty) = \{\text{Tor}_i^A(A/I^s, \text{Tor}_j^{\mathbb{Z}[G]}(M, \mathbb{Z}))\}_s, \quad 'E_{ij}^2(\infty) = \{\text{Tor}_i^{\mathbb{Z}[G]}(\text{Tor}_j^A(A/I^s, M), \mathbb{Z})\}_s.$$

Since $\text{Tor}_j^{\mathbb{Z}[G]}(M, \mathbb{Z})$ is a finitely generated A -module for all $j \geq 0$, Theorem 1.1(i) implies that $E_{ij}^2(\infty) = 0$ for $i > 0$; so the $E(\infty)$ -spectral sequence degenerates to edge map isomorphisms. Theorem 1.1(i) similarly implies that $\text{Tor}_j^A(A/I^s, M) = 0$ for $j > 0$, and hence the $'E(\infty)$ -spectral sequence also degenerates to edge map isomorphisms.

Composing these edge map isomorphisms, we arrive at an isomorphism of pro A -modules

$$\{\text{Tor}_n^{\mathbb{Z}[G]}(M, \mathbb{Z}) \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s \xrightarrow{\cong} \{\text{Tor}_n^{\mathbb{Z}[G]}(M/I^s M, \mathbb{Z})\}_s$$

for all $n \geq 0$, which is exactly the desired isomorphism. \square

Corollary 1.4. *Let A be a commutative, Noetherian ring, $I \subseteq A$ an ideal, M a finitely generated A -module, and $m \geq 1$. Then the canonical maps*

$$\{M[m] \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s \longrightarrow \{M/I^s M[m]\}_s, \quad \{M/mM \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s \longrightarrow \{M/(mM + I^s M)\}_s$$

are isomorphisms of pro A -modules.

Proof. These isomorphisms follow from the sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \{M[m] \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s \rightarrow \{M/I^s M\} \xrightarrow{\times m} \{M/I^s M\} \rightarrow \{M/mM \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s \rightarrow 0,$$

which is exact by Theorem 1.1(ii). \square

1.2 André–Quillen and Hochschild homology

Let k be a commutative ring. Here we briefly review the André–Quillen and Hochschild homologies of k -algebras, though we assume that the reader has some familiarity with these theories.

We begin with André–Quillen homology [1, 32, 35]. Let A be a commutative k -algebra, let $P_\bullet \rightarrow A$ be a simplicial resolution of A by free commutative k -algebras, and set

$$\mathbb{L}_{A/k} := \Omega_{P_\bullet/k}^1 \otimes_{P_\bullet} A.$$

Thus $\mathbb{L}_{A/k}$ is a simplicial A -module which is free in each degree; it is called the cotangent complex of the k -algebra A . Up to homotopy, the cotangent complex depends only on A , since the free simplicial resolution $P_\bullet \rightarrow A$ is unique up to homotopy.

Given simplicial A -modules M_\bullet, N_\bullet , the tensor product and alternating powers are the simplicial A -modules defined degreewise: $(M_\bullet \otimes_A N_\bullet)_n = M_n \otimes_A N_n$ and $(\bigwedge_A^r M_\bullet)_n = \bigwedge_A^r M_n$.

In particular we set $\mathbb{L}_{A/k}^i := \bigwedge_A^i \mathbb{L}_{A/k}$ for each $i \geq 1$. The André–Quillen homology of the k -algebra A , with coefficients in an A -module M , is defined by

$$D_n^i(A/k, M) := \pi_n(\mathbb{L}_{A/k}^i \otimes_A M). \quad (n, i \geq 0)$$

When $M = A$ the notation is simplified to $D_n^i(A/k) := D_n^i(A/k, A) = \pi_n \mathbb{L}_{A/k}^i$.

Now we discuss Hochschild homology [23], so let A be a possibly non-commutative k -algebra (however, apart from Proposition 4.1, all rings from Section 2 onwards are commutative). For an A -bimodule M , the “usual” Hochschild homology of A as a k -algebra with coefficients in M is defined to be $HH_n^{\text{usual}, k}(A, M) := \pi_n(C_\bullet^k(A, M))$ for $n \geq 0$, where $C_\bullet^k(A, M)$ is the usual simplicial k -module

$$C_\bullet^k(A, M) := \quad M \begin{array}{c} \longleftarrow \\ \longleftarrow \\ \longleftarrow \end{array} M \otimes_k A \begin{array}{c} \longleftarrow \\ \longleftarrow \\ \longleftarrow \end{array} M \otimes_k A \otimes_k A \begin{array}{c} \longleftarrow \\ \longleftarrow \\ \longleftarrow \end{array} \cdots$$

However, we will work throughout with the derived version of Hochschild homology, which we now explain; more details may be found in [27, §4]. Letting $P_\bullet \rightarrow A$ be a simplicial resolution of A by free k -algebras, let $HH^k(A, M)$ denote the diagonal of the bisimplicial k -module $C_\bullet^k(P_\bullet, M)$; the homotopy type of $HH^k(A, M)$ does not depend on the choice of resolution, and we set

$$HH_n^k(A, M) := \pi_n HH^k(A, M). \quad (n \geq 0)$$

We stress that there is a canonical map $HH_n^k(A, M) \rightarrow HH_n^{\text{usual}, k}(A, M)$ for all $n \geq 0$, which is an isomorphism if A is flat over k (in particular, if k is a field).

The advantage of derived, rather than usual, Hochschild homology is that it ensures the existence of two spectral sequences: firstly the André–Quillen-to-Hochschild-homology spectral sequence when A is commutative,

$$E_{ij}^2 = D_i^j(A/k, M) \implies HH_{i+j}^k(A, M),$$

and secondly the Pirashvili–Waldhausen spectral sequence which will be discussed in Section 1.3.1. In the special case $A = M$ we write $HH^k(A) = HH^k(A, A)$ and $HH_n^k(A) = HH_n^k(A, A)$, and when $k = \mathbb{Z}$ we omit it from the notation.

1.3 Topological Hochschild and cyclic homology

The manipulations of topological Hochschild and cyclic homology contained in this paper are of a mostly algebraic nature, using only the formal properties of the theory. In this section we explicitly collect various recurring spectral sequences, long exact sequences, etc. which we need; we hope that the algebraic nature of this exposition will be accessible to non-topologists since the results of this paper will be later applied to problems in arithmetic and algebraic geometry.

1.3.1 Topological Hochschild homology

If A is a ring and M is an A -bimodule then $THH(A, M)$ denotes the associated topological Hochschild homology spectrum, as constructed in, e.g. [7]. Its homotopy groups are the topological Hochschild homology of A with coefficients in M , namely

$$THH_n(A, M) := \pi_n THH(A, M). \quad (n \geq 0)$$

If A is commutative and M is a symmetric A -module, then these are A -modules. In the most important case of $M = A$, one writes

$$THH(A) = THH(A, A), \quad THH_n(A) = THH_n(A, A).$$

Algebraic properties of the groups $THH_n(A, M)$ may frequently be extracted from the following two results:

- (i) The Pirashvili–Waldhausen [29, Thm. 4.1] [7, Lem. 4.2.3.7] first quadrant spectral sequence of abelian groups (of A -modules if A is commutative and M is a symmetric A -module)

$$E_{ij}^2 = HH_i(A, THH_j(\mathbb{Z}, M)) \implies THH_{i+j}(A, M),$$

which compares the topological Hochschild homology groups with their algebraic counterpart $HH_n(A, M) = HH_n^{\mathbb{Z}}(A, M)$.

- (ii) M. Bökstedt’s [7, Thm. 4.1.0.1] calculation of the groups $THH_n(\mathbb{Z}, M)$:

$$THH_n(\mathbb{Z}, M) \cong \begin{cases} M & n = 0 \\ \text{Tor}_0^{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}, M) = M/mM & n = 2m - 1 \\ \text{Tor}_1^{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}, M) = M[m] & n = 2m > 0. \end{cases}$$

For example, if A is a commutative, Noetherian ring for which $HH_n(A)$ is a finitely generated A -module for all $n \geq 0$, then (i) & (ii) easily imply the same of the A -modules $THH_n(A)$; this will be used in the proof of Theorem 3.7.

1.3.2 The fixed point spectra TR^r

An essential fact for the foundations of and calculations in topological cyclic homology is that $THH(A)$ is not merely a spectrum, but a cyclotomic spectrum in the sense of [16]. This means that $THH(A)$ is an S^1 -spectrum (i.e., it carries a “nice” action by the circle group S^1), which is already enough to ensure the existence of so-called Frobenius and Verschiebung maps, together with additional pro structure ensuring the existence of restriction maps. The intricacies of cyclotomic spectra and the construction of their homotopy fixed points, homotopy orbits, etc. are irrelevant for this paper; we only need certain algebraic consequences which we now list.

Let p be a fixed prime number. For $r \geq 1$, one lets C_{p^r} denote the cyclic subgroup of S^1 of order p^r , and one denotes by $TR^r(A; p) := THH(A)^{C_{p^r-1}}$ the C_{p^r-1} -fixed point spectrum of $THH(A)$, and by $TR_n^r(A; p)$ its homotopy groups:

$$TR_n^r(A; p) := \pi_n TR^r(A; p) = \pi_n(THH(A)^{C_{p^r-1}}).$$

Note that $TR_n^1(A; p) = THH_n(A)$.

Formal algebraic properties of the groups $TR_n^r(A; p)$ may be obtained from the following two facts, which are non-trivial consequences of $THH(A)$ being a cyclotomic spectrum; see, e.g., Lems. 1.4.5 & 2.0.6 of [7, §VI], or Thm. 1.2 and the proof of Prop. 2.3 of [16]:

- (i) There is a natural homotopy fibre sequence of spectra

$$THH(A)_{hC_{p^r}} \longrightarrow TR^{r+1}(A; p) \xrightarrow{R} TR^r(A; p)$$

where $THH(A)_{hC_{p^r}}$ is the spectrum of homotopy orbits for the action of C_{p^r} on $THH(A)$. This gives rise to a long exact sequence of homotopy groups

$$\cdots \longrightarrow \pi_n(THH(A)_{hC_{p^r}}) \longrightarrow TR_n^{r+1}(A; p) \xrightarrow{R} TR_n^r(A; p) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

R is known as the *restriction map*.

- (ii) The homotopy groups of $THH(A)_{hC_{p^r}}$ appearing in the previous long exact sequence are described by a first quadrant spectral sequence of abelian groups

$$E_{ij}^2 = H_i(C_{p^r}, THH_j(A)) \implies \pi_{i+j}(THH(A)_{hC_{p^r}}),$$

where the groups on the E^2 -page are group homology for C_{p^r} acting trivially on $THH_j(A)$.

1.3.3 Witt structure

Assuming that A is commutative, the various aforementioned groups inherit natural module structures:

- (i) $THH_n(A)$ is a module over A .
 (ii) $TR_n^r(A; p)$ and $\pi_n(THH(A)_{hC_{p^r}})$ are modules over the p -typical Witt vectors $W_r(A)$.

The Witt vector structure appears in the following way: firstly, $TR^r(A; p)$ is a ring spectrum and so the homotopy groups $TR_n^r(A; p)$ and $\pi_n(THH(A)_{hC_{p^r}})$ are modules over the ring $TR_0^r(A; p)$ (this does not require A to be commutative), and secondly it is a theorem of Hesselholt and Madsen [16, Thm. F] that there is a natural isomorphism of rings $W_r(A) \xrightarrow{\cong} TR_0^r(A; p)$. Moreover, by [15, §1.3] we have the following structure:

- (i) The long exact sequence of homotopy groups from 1.3.2(i) above is a long exact sequence of $W_{r+1}(A)$ -modules, where the action of $W_{r+1}(A)$ on the $W_r(A)$ -module $TR_n^r(A; p)$ is via the restriction map $R : W_{r+1}(A) \rightarrow W_r(A)$.
- (ii) The group homology spectral sequence from 1.3.2(ii) above is a spectral sequence of $W_{r+1}(A)$ -modules, where the action of $W_{r+1}(A)$ on the E^2 -page, whose terms are clearly A -modules, is via the r^{th} power of the Frobenius $F^r : W_{r+1}(A) \rightarrow A$.

1.3.4 Topological cyclic homology

As indicated in 1.3.2(i) above, there is a restriction map of spectra $R : TR^{r+1}(A; p) \rightarrow TR^r(A; p)$. Using these as transition maps, one puts

$$TR(A; p) = TR^\infty(A; p) := \text{holim}_r TR^r(A; p),$$

which is a ring spectrum whose homotopy groups $TR_n(A; p) := \pi_n(TR(A; p))$ fit into short exact sequences

$$0 \longrightarrow \varprojlim_r^1 TR_{n+1}^r(A; p) \longrightarrow TR_n(A; p) \longrightarrow \varprojlim_r TR_n^r(A; p) \longrightarrow 0.$$

If A is commutative then the groups $TR_n(A; p)$ are naturally modules over $W(A) = \varprojlim_r W_r(A)$.

To reach topological cyclic homology, one must finally introduce the so-called *Frobenius map* $F : TR^{r+1}(A; p) \rightarrow TR^r(A; p)$, which is nothing other than the inclusion of the C_{p^r} -fixed point spectrum of $THH(A)$ into the $C_{p^{r-1}}$ -fixed point spectrum. The Frobenius commutes with the restriction, and thus induces a map $F : TR(A; p) \rightarrow TR(A; p)$. The p -typical topological cyclic homology spectrum of A is, by definition,

$$TC(A; p) = TC^\infty(A; p) := \text{hofib}(TR(A; p) \xrightarrow{\text{id}-F} TR(A; p)),$$

and thus its homotopy groups $TC_n(A; p) := \pi_n TC(A; p)$ fit into a long exact sequence

$$\cdots \longrightarrow TC_n(A; p) \longrightarrow TR_n(A; p) \xrightarrow{\text{id}-F} TR_n(A; p) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

We remark that the notation $TR^\infty(A; p) = TR(A; p)$ and $TC^\infty(A; p) = TC(A; p)$ is not standard, but we adopt it to more succulently state a number of our results.

One may additionally define a p -typical topological cyclic homology spectrum for a fixed level $r \geq 1$ by setting

$$TC^r(A; p) := \text{hofib}(TR^r(A; p) \xrightarrow{R-F} TR^r(A; p)),$$

whose homotopy groups therefore fit into a long exact sequence

$$\cdots \longrightarrow TC_n^r(A; p) \longrightarrow TR_n^r(A; p) \xrightarrow{R-F} TR_n^{r-1}(A; p) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

The commutativity of homotopy limits implies that there is a natural weak equivalence $TC(A; p) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{holim}_r TC^r(A; p)$.

1.4 Finite coefficients and p -completions

It will be necessary at times to work with versions of the aforementioned homology theories with finite coefficients or after p -completing. Here we will review some standard machinery and notation. Additional lemmas concerning p -completions may be found in the appendix.

Given a prime number p and a simplicial abelian group M_\bullet , its (*derived*) p -completion is by definition the simplicial abelian group

$$(M_\bullet)_p^\wedge := \operatorname{holim}_v(M_\bullet \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}/p^v \mathbb{Z}).$$

The homotopy groups of $M \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}/p^v \mathbb{Z}$ are denoted by $\pi_n(M_\bullet; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ and fit into an exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \pi_n(M_\bullet) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}/p^v \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow \pi_n(M_\bullet; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \longrightarrow \pi_{n-1}(M_\bullet)[p^v] \longrightarrow 0$$

Also, the homotopy group of the derived p -completion are denoted by $\pi_n(M_\bullet; \mathbb{Z}_p)$ and fit into an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \operatorname{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, \pi_n(M_\bullet)) \rightarrow \pi_n(M_\bullet; \mathbb{Z}_p) \rightarrow \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, \pi_{n-1}(M_\bullet)) \rightarrow 0.$$

Similarly, if X is a spectrum then its p -completion is by definition

$$X_p^\wedge := \operatorname{holim}_v(X \wedge S/p^v),$$

where S/p^r denotes the p^r th Moore spectrum; the same short exact sequences as for a simplicial abelian group apply, and we point out that $H((M_\bullet)_p^\wedge) = H(M_\bullet)_p^\wedge$ for any simplicial abelian group M_\bullet , where $H(-)$ denotes the Eilenberg–MacLane construction.

We remark that if M is an abelian group then M_p^\wedge denotes the usual p -adic completion of M , namely $M_p^\wedge = \varprojlim_v M/p^v M$, and not the derived p -completion of M as a constant simplicial abelian group.

Now let A be a commutative ring, and M an A -module. We will use the notation

$$\begin{aligned} HH(A, M; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) &:= HH(A, M) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}/p^v \mathbb{Z} & HH(A, M; \mathbb{Z}_p) &:= HH(A, M)_p^\wedge \\ THH(A, M; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) &:= THH(A, M) \wedge S/p^v & THH(A, M; \mathbb{Z}_p) &:= THH(A, M)_p^\wedge \\ TR^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) &:= TR^r(A; p) \wedge S/p^v & TR^r(A; p, \mathbb{Z}_p) &:= TR^r(A; p)_p^\wedge \end{aligned}$$

and similarly for TR , TC^r , and TC ; the homotopy groups are denoted in the obvious manner. To make the already overburdened notation more manageable, we have chosen to write $TC^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$, $TC^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$, etc., rather than $TC^r(A; p, \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$, $TC^r(A; p, \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$, etc.

There is a exact sequence of simplicial A -modules $0 \rightarrow \Sigma A[p^v] \rightarrow A \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}/p^v \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow A/p^v A \rightarrow 0$ (where Σ denotes suspension, i.e., -1 shift in the language of complexes), and this induces a long exact sequence of A -modules

$$\cdots \longrightarrow HH_{n-1}(A, A[p^v]) \longrightarrow HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \longrightarrow HH_n(A, A/p^v A) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

This will be a useful tool for deducing results for $HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ via HH with coefficients in A -modules. There is an analogous long exact sequence for THH .

We now make some comments about how the properties of topological Hochschild and cyclic homology from Section 1.3 respect finite coefficients. Smashing the homotopy fibre sequence of Section 1.3.2(i) with S/p^v yields a new homotopy fibre sequence, and hence a long exact sequence of the homotopy groups with finite coefficients. Moreover,

$THH(A)_{hC_{p^r}} \wedge S/p^v \simeq (THH(A) \wedge S/p^v)_{hC_{p^r}}$, and hence there is a homotopy orbit spectral sequence, as in Section 1.3.2(ii), with finite coefficients.

Next, $HH(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ is a simplicial module over $HH(A)$; $THH(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ is a module spectrum over $THH(A)$; and $TR^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ is a module spectrum over $TR^r(A; p)$. Hence their homotopy groups are naturally modules over A , A , and $W_r(A)$ respectively. The Witt structure outlined in Section 1.3.3 thus remains true with finite coefficients.

2 PRELIMINARIES ON WITT RINGS AND F-FINITENESS

2.1 Witt rings

In this section we establish some preliminary results on Witt rings, which will be required throughout the paper; some similar material may be found in [9]. In particular, in Theorem 2.7 we establish a technical relationship between completing along a pro Witt ring $W_r(A/I^\infty)$ and the Frobenius map.

We begin with a reminder on Witt rings of a ring A and associated notation; recall that all rings are henceforth commutative. We will use the language of both big Witt rings $\mathbb{W}_S(A)$ associated to truncation sets $S \subseteq \mathbb{N}$, and of p -typical Witt rings $W_r(A) = \mathbb{W}_{\{1, p, p^2, \dots, p^{r-1}\}}(A)$ when a particular prime number p is clear from the context. The p -typical case is classical, while the language of truncation sets is due to [17]; a more detailed summary, to which we will refer for various Witt ring identities, may be found in [36, Appendix].

Given an inclusion of truncation sets $S \supseteq T$, there are associated Restriction, Frobenius and Verschiebung maps

$$R_T, F_T : \mathbb{W}_S(A) \rightarrow \mathbb{W}_T(A), \quad V_T : \mathbb{W}_T(A) \rightarrow \mathbb{W}_S(A).$$

The Restriction R_T and the Frobenius F_T are ring homomorphisms, while V_T is merely additive. If $m \geq 1$ is an integer then one defines a new truncation set by

$$S/m := \{s \in S : sm \in S\}$$

and writes R_m, F_m , and V_m instead of $R_{S/m}, F_{S/m}$, and $V_{S/m}$ respectively.

The Teichmüller map $[-]_S : A \rightarrow \mathbb{W}_S(A)$ is multiplicative. If S is finite then each element of $\mathbb{W}_S(A)$ may be written uniquely as $\sum_{i \in S} V_i[a_i]_{S/i}$ for some $a_i \in A$; we will often use this to reduce questions to the study of terms of the form $V_i[a]_{S/i}$, which we will abbreviate to $V_i[a]$ when the truncation set S is clear.

In the p -typical case we follow the standard abuse of notation, writing $R, F : W_r(A) \rightarrow W_{r-1}(A)$ and $V : W_{r-1}(A) \rightarrow W_r(A)$ in place of R_p, F_p , and V_p .

If I is an ideal of A then $\mathbb{W}_S(I)$ denotes the ideal of $\mathbb{W}_S(A)$ defined as the kernel of the quotient map $\mathbb{W}_S(A) \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{W}_S(A/I)$. Alternatively, $\mathbb{W}_S(I)$ is the Witt vectors of the non-unital ring I . An element $\alpha \in \mathbb{W}_S(A)$ lies in $\mathbb{W}_S(I)$ if and only if, in its expansion $\alpha = \sum_{i \in S} V_i[a_i]$, the coefficients $a_i \in A$ all belong to I .

The following lemma establishes the first collection of basic properties we need concerning the ideals $\mathbb{W}_S(I)$:

Lemma 2.1. *Let A be a ring, $I, J \subseteq A$ ideals, and S a finite truncation set. Then:*

- (i) $\mathbb{W}_S(I)\mathbb{W}_S(J) \subseteq \mathbb{W}_S(IJ)$.
- (ii) $\mathbb{W}_S(I)^N \subseteq \mathbb{W}_S(I^N)$ for all $N \geq 1$.

(iii) $\mathbb{W}_S(I) + \mathbb{W}_S(J) = \mathbb{W}_S(I + J)$.

(iv) Assume I is a finitely generated ideal; then for any $N \geq 1$ there exists $M \geq 1$ such that $\mathbb{W}_S(I^M) \subseteq \mathbb{W}_S(I)^N$.

Proof. (i): It is enough to show that $\alpha\beta \in \mathbb{W}_S(IJ)$ in the case that $\alpha = V_i[a]$ and $\beta = V_j[b]$ for some $i, j \in S$, $a \in I$, and $b \in J$, since such terms additively generate $\mathbb{W}_S(I)$ and $\mathbb{W}_S(J)$. But this follows from the standard Witt ring identity [36, A.4(v)]

$$V_i[a] V_j[b] = g V_{ij/g}[a^{i/g} b^{j/g}],$$

where $g := \gcd(i, j)$. Now (ii) follows from (i) by induction.

(iii): The surjection $J \rightarrow \frac{I+J}{I}$ induces a surjection

$$\mathbb{W}_S(J) \rightarrow \mathbb{W}_S\left(\frac{I+J}{I}\right) \cong \frac{\mathbb{W}_S(I+J)}{\mathbb{W}_S(I)},$$

whence $\mathbb{W}_S(I + J) \subseteq \mathbb{W}_S(I) + \mathbb{W}_S(J)$. The reverse inclusion is obvious.

(iv): By assumption we have $I = \langle t_1, \dots, t_m \rangle$ for some $t_1, \dots, t_m \in A$. For any $M \geq 1$, we will write $I^{(M)} := \langle t_1^M, \dots, t_m^M \rangle \subseteq I^M$. Note that $I^{(M)} \supseteq I^{m(M-1)+1}$, so it is enough to find $M \geq 1$ such that $\mathbb{W}_S(I^{(M)}) \subseteq \mathbb{W}_S(I)^N$; we claim that $M = N\ell$ suffices, where ℓ is the least common multiple of all elements of S . To prove the claim we first use (iii) to see that $\mathbb{W}_S(I^{(M)}) = \mathbb{W}_S(At_1^M) + \dots + \mathbb{W}_S(At_m^M)$, and then we note that $\mathbb{W}_S(At_j^M)$ is additively generated by terms $V_i[at_j^M]$ where $i \in S$ and $a \in A$; so it is enough to prove the claim for such terms. Writing $M = N\ell = N'i$ for some $N' \geq N$, this claim follows from the standard Witt ring identity [36, A.4(vi)]

$$V_i[at_j^M] = V_i[at_j^{N'i}] = [t_j]^{N'} V_i[a] \in \mathbb{W}_S(I)^{N'} \subseteq \mathbb{W}_S(I)^N.$$

□

Remark 2.2. The proof of part (iv) of Lemma 2.1 establishes a stronger result: namely that for any $N \geq 1$ and any set of generators t_1, \dots, t_m of I , there exists $M \geq 1$ such that

$$\mathbb{W}_S(I^M) \subseteq \langle [t_1], \dots, [t_m] \rangle^N.$$

In particular, if $f : A \rightarrow B$ is a ring homomorphism, then we have $\mathbb{W}_S(f(I^M)B) \subseteq f(\mathbb{W}_S(I)^N)\mathbb{W}_S(B)$.

The next two lemmas establish the basic relationship between completions of Witt rings and Witt rings of completions:

Lemma 2.3. Let A be a ring, $I \subseteq A$ a finitely generated ideal, and S a finite truncation set; let $\widehat{A} := \varprojlim_s A/I^s$ be the I -adic completion of A . Then the canonical maps

$$\varprojlim_s \mathbb{W}_S(A)/\mathbb{W}_S(I)^s \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s \mathbb{W}_S(A)/\mathbb{W}_S(I^s) \longleftarrow \mathbb{W}_S(\widehat{A})$$

are isomorphisms.

Proof. The left arrow is an isomorphism since the two chains of ideals $\mathbb{W}_S(I^s)$ and $\mathbb{W}_S(I)^s$ are intertwined by Lemma 2.1. It remains to consider the right arrow.

For $S = \{1\}$ there is nothing to prove since $\mathbb{W}_{\{1\}}(A) = A$ and $\mathbb{W}_{\{1\}}(I) = I$. We proceed by induction on the maximal element m of the truncation set S ; putting $T := S \setminus \{m\}$ and noticing that $S/m = \{1\}$, we have a short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathbb{W}_{\{1\}}(R) \xrightarrow{V_m} \mathbb{W}_S(R) \xrightarrow{R_T} \mathbb{W}_T(R) \longrightarrow 0$$

for any ring R , possibly non-unital. We thus arrive at the following comparison of short exact sequences, where \widehat{A} denotes the I -adic completion of A :

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{W}_{\{1\}}(\widehat{A}) & \xrightarrow{V_m} & \mathbb{W}_S(\widehat{A}) & \xrightarrow{R_T} & \mathbb{W}_T(\widehat{A}) & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \varprojlim_s \mathbb{W}_{\{1\}}(A/I^s) & \xrightarrow{V_m} & \varprojlim_s \mathbb{W}_S(A/I^s) & \xrightarrow{R_T} & \varprojlim_s \mathbb{W}_T(A/I^s) & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

Applying the inductive hypotheses to T , we see that the left and right vertical arrows are isomorphisms, whence the central is too. \square

In the remainder of the section we fix a prime number p and focus on the p -typical Witt rings, starting with a p -adic analogue of the previous completion lemma. In the following lemma, as well as later in the paper, the p -adic completion of a ring R is denoted by $\widehat{R}_p := \varprojlim_s R/p^s R$.

Lemma 2.4. *Let A be a ring, p a prime number, and $r \geq 1$. Then there is a natural isomorphism of rings $W_r(A)_p \cong W_r(\widehat{A}_p)$.*

Proof. By Lemma 2.3, it is enough to show that the ideals $pW_r(A)$ and $W_r(pA)$ each contain a power of the other.

Firstly, it is well-known that $W_r(\mathbb{F}_p) = \mathbb{Z}/p^r\mathbb{Z}$, whence $W_r(A/pA)$ is a $\mathbb{Z}/p^r\mathbb{Z}$ -algebra; in other words, $p^r W_r(A) \subseteq W_r(pA)$.

Secondly, by Remark 2.2 there exists $M \geq 1$ such that $W_r(p^M A) \subseteq [p]^p W_r(A)$; so

$$W_r(pA)^M \subseteq W_r(p^M A) \subseteq [p]^p W_r(A),$$

where the first inclusion is by Lemma 2.1(ii). Hence we can complete the proof by showing that $[p]^p \in pW_r(A)$. Since $R^{r-1}([p]) = p \in A$, and since there is a short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow W_{r-1}(A) \xrightarrow{V} W_r(A) \xrightarrow{R^{r-1}} A \longrightarrow 0,$$

we may write $[p] - p = V(\alpha)$ for some $\alpha \in W_{r-1}(A)$. Raising to the p^{th} power, we deduce that $[p]^p = p\beta + V(\alpha)^p$ for some $\beta \in W_r(A)$, and so it is enough to show that $V(\alpha)^2 \in pW_r(A)$. But indeed it follows from standard Witt vector identities that the square of the ideal $VW_{r-1}(A)$ lies inside $pW_r(A)$, e.g., [36, Prop. A.4(v)]. \square

Now we turn to the Frobenius:

Lemma 2.5. *Let A be a ring, $I \subseteq A$ a finitely generated ideal, and $r \geq 1$.*

(i) *The ideal of A generated by $F^{r-1}W_r(I)$ contains I^M for $M \gg 0$.*

(ii) The natural ring homomorphisms $A \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(A/I^s) \rightarrow A/I^s$, induced by the commutative diagrams of rings

$$\begin{array}{ccc} W_r(A) & \longrightarrow & W_r(A/I^s) \\ F^{r-1} \downarrow & & \downarrow F^{r-1} \\ A & \longrightarrow & A/I^s, \end{array}$$

induce an isomorphism of pro rings $\{A \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(A/I^s)\}_s \xrightarrow{\cong} \{A/I^s\}_s$.

Proof. (i): If I is generated by $t_1, \dots, t_m \in A$, then $I^{(M)} = \langle t_1^M, \dots, t_m^M \rangle$ contains $I^{m(M-1)+1}$; so it is enough to show that $I^{(M)} \subseteq \langle F^{r-1}W_r(I) \rangle$ for $M \gg 0$. But $M = p^{r-1}$ clearly has this property, since for any $a \in I$ we have $F^{r-1}(a, 0, \dots, 0) = a^{p^{r-1}}$.

(ii): Since $W_r(A) \rightarrow W_r(A/I^s)$ is surjective with kernel $W_r(I^s)$, the tensor product $A \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(A/I^s)$ is simply $A/\langle F^{r-1}W_r(I^s) \rangle$. Thus the claimed isomorphism of pro rings is the statement that the chains of ideals I^s and $F^{r-1}W_r(I^s)A$, for $s \geq 1$, are intertwined; one inclusion is obvious and the other is (i). \square

To say more in the p -typical we will focus on $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebras A which are F -finite; recall from Definition 0.1 that this means A/pA is finitely generated over its subring of p^{th} -powers. We will require the following results of A. Langer and T. Zink, which may be found in the appendix of [22], concerning Witt vectors of such rings:

Theorem 2.6 (Langer–Zink). *Let A be an F -finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra and let $r \geq 1$. Then:*

- (i) *The Frobenius $F : W_{r+1}(A) \rightarrow W_r(A)$ is a finite ring homomorphism; i.e., $W_r(A)$ is finitely generated as a module over its subring $FW_{r+1}(A)$.*
- (ii) *If B is a finitely generated A -algebra, then B is also F -finite and $W_r(B)$ is a finitely generated $W_r(A)$ -algebra.*
- (iii) *If A is Noetherian then $W_r(A)$ is also Noetherian.*

Combining these results of Langer–Zink with our own lemmas, we reach the main result of this section, in which we relate the Frobenius on $W_r(A)$ with pro completion along an ideal of A ; this will be the primary algebraic tool by which we inductively extend results from THH to TR^r :

Theorem 2.7. *Let A be a Noetherian, F -finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, $I \subseteq A$ an ideal, and $r \geq 1$. Consider the “completion” functor*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Phi_r : W_r(A)\text{-mod} & \xrightarrow{-\otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(A/I^\infty)} & \text{Pro } W_r(A)\text{-mod} \\ M \mapsto & \longrightarrow & \{M \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(A/I^s)\}_s \end{array}$$

Then:

- (i) Φ_r is exact on the subcategory of finitely generated $W_r(A)$ -modules.
- (ii) There is a natural equivalence of functors between the composition

$$A\text{-mod} \xrightarrow{(F^{r-1})^*} W_r(A)\text{-mod} \xrightarrow{\Phi_r} \text{Pro } W_r(A)\text{-mod}$$

and the composition

$$A\text{-mod} \xrightarrow{\Phi_1} \text{Pro } A\text{-mod} \xrightarrow{(F^{r-1})^*} \text{Pro } -W_r(A)\text{-mod}$$

In other words, if M is an A -module, viewed as a $W_r(A)$ -module via the $r-1$ power of the Frobenius $F^{r-1} : W_r(A) \rightarrow A$, then there is a natural isomorphism

$$\Phi_r(A) \cong \{M \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s.$$

Proof. (i): We must prove that the pro abelian group $\{\text{Tor}_n^{W_r(A)}(W_r(A/I^s), M)\}_s$ vanishes for any finitely generated $W_r(A)$ -module M and integer $n > 0$.

According to Lemma 2.1(ii)+(iv), the chain of ideals $W_r(I^s)$ is intertwined with the chain $W_r(I)^s$, so it is sufficient to prove that the pro abelian group

$$\{\text{Tor}_n^{W_r(A)}(W_r(I)^s, M)\}_s$$

vanishes. But according to Langer–Zink $W_r(A)$ is Noetherian, so this vanishing claim is covered by the Artin–Rees theorem recalled in Theorem 1.1(i).

(ii) is a restatement of Lemma 2.5(ii). □

2.2 F-finiteness

In this section we prove some basic properties surrounding F-finiteness (Definition 0.1), for which we claim no originality but for which we know of no suitable reference. We fix a prime number p for the next three lemmas.

Our main results apply to Noetherian, F-finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebras, so we first show that this property is preserved under many natural constructions:

Lemma 2.8. *Let A be a Noetherian, F-finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra; then the following are also Noetherian, F-finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebras:*

- (i) *Any finitely generated A -algebra.*
- (ii) *Any localisation of A at a multiplicative system.*
- (iii) *The completion of A at any ideal.*
- (iv) *The Henselisation of A at any ideal.*
- (v) *The strict Henselisation of A at any maximal ideal.*

Proof. The claim that operations (i)–(v) preserve the Noetherian property is standard commutative algebra, so we need only prove the F-finiteness assertion, for which we may replace A by A/pA and therefore assume that A is an \mathbb{F}_p -algebra. Let a_1, \dots, a_n generate A as an algebra over its p^{th} -powers A^p .

(i): If $B = A[b_1, \dots, b_m]$ is a finitely generated A -algebra, then it is generated by $a_1, \dots, a_n, b_1, \dots, b_m$ over its p^{th} -powers, hence is F-finite. (ii): If B is a localisation of A then B is also generated by a_1, \dots, a_n over its p^{th} -powers. (iii): Let \widehat{A} be the completion of A at an ideal $I \subseteq A$. Picking generators $t_1, \dots, t_d \in I$ for the ideal I , there is a resulting surjection $A[[X_1, \dots, X_d]] \rightarrow \widehat{A}$ and so the F-finiteness of \widehat{A} follows from that of $A[[X_1, \dots, X_d]]$ (it is generated by $a_1, \dots, a_n, X_1, \dots, X_d$ over its p^{th} -powers).

(iv): Suppose B is the Henselisation of A along an ideal $I \subseteq A$; so, by definition, B is the filtered inductive limit of all étale A -algebras A' for which the canonical map $A/I \rightarrow A'/IA'$ is an isomorphism. For each such A' , the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \longrightarrow & A' \\ F \downarrow & & \downarrow F \\ A & \longrightarrow & A' \end{array}$$

is cocartesian by the proof of [22, Lem. A.9] (with notation $R = A/pA$, $S = A'/pA'$), where F denotes the absolute Frobenius homomorphism $x \mapsto x^p$. Taking the colimit over A' we deduce that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \longrightarrow & B \\ F \downarrow & & \downarrow F \\ A & \longrightarrow & B \end{array}$$

is cocartesian. Since the left vertical arrow is a finite morphism by assumption, so is the right vertical arrow, as required.

(v): The proof is the same as case (iv). \square

Next we note that properties such as F-finiteness extend from a ring to its Witt vectors:

Lemma 2.9. *Let A be a $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra and let $r \geq 1$. Then:*

- (i) $W_r(A)$ is a $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra.
- (ii) If p is nilpotent in A then p is nilpotent in $W_r(A)$.
- (iii) If A is F-finite then $W_r(A)$ is also F-finite.

Proof. (i): If an integer is invertible in A then it is also invertible in $\mathbb{W}_S(A)$ for any truncation set S ; see e.g., [14, Lem. 1.9].

(ii): It is well-known that $W_r(\mathbb{F}_p) = \mathbb{Z}/p^r\mathbb{Z}$, whence $p^r = 0$ in $W_r(A/pA)$; since the kernel of $W_r(A) \rightarrow W_r(A/pA)$ is nilpotent by Lemma 2.1(ii) and the assumption, it follows that p is also nilpotent in $W_r(A)$.

(iii): The formula $FV = p$, e.g. [36, A.4(vi)], implies that the Frobenius F induces a ring homomorphism

$$A \cong W_{r+1}(A)/VW_r(A) \xrightarrow{F} W_r(A)/pW_r(A),$$

which is a finite morphism by Langer-Zink; since A is F-finite by assumption, it follows from Lemma 2.8(i) that $W_r(A)/pW_r(A)$ is also F-finite. \square

Finally in this section on F-finiteness, we observe that F-finiteness is a sufficient (and, in fact, necessary) condition for the finite generation of Kähler differentials; this fact underlies the finite generation of André–Quillen homology which we will prove in Theorem 3.6:

Lemma 2.10. *Let A be a Noetherian, F-finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra. Then, for all $n \geq 0$:*

- (i) $\Omega_A^n \otimes_A A/pA$ is a finitely generated A -module.
- (ii) If p is nilpotent in A , then Ω_A^n is a finitely generated A -module.

Proof. It is enough to treat the case $n = 1$. Let a_1, \dots, a_m generate A/pA as a module over its p^{th} -powers. Then any $b \in A$ may be written as a sum $b = pb' + \sum_i b_i^p a_i$ for some $b', b_1, \dots, b_m \in A$, and so we deduce that

$$db = p db' + \sum_i (b_i^p da_i + p b_i^{p-1} a_i db_i) \equiv \sum_i b_i^p da_i \pmod{p}$$

That is, $\Omega_{A/k}^1 \otimes_A A/pA$ is generated by da_1, \dots, da_m .

Multiplying by p^e , it follows that $p^e \Omega_A^1 / p^{e+1} \Omega_A^1$ is also finitely generated; so if p is nilpotent then $p^e \Omega_A^1$, $e \geq 1$, defines a finite filtration on Ω_A^1 with finitely generated steps, whence Ω_A^1 is finitely generated. \square

3 FINITE GENERATION RESULTS FOR HH , THH , AND TR^r

The primary aim of this section is Theorem 3.7, which states that the algebraic and topological Hochschild homology groups, with finite coefficients, of a Noetherian, F-finite $\mathbb{Z}(p)$ -algebra A are finitely generated over A , and that the groups $TR_n^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ are finitely generated over $W_r(A)$. From this we deduce additional finite generation results for the p -completed theories, and for rings in which p is nilpotent. We believe these are the first general finite generation results for topological Hochschild homology.

The key step is similar finite generation results for the André–Quillen homology of A ; indeed, the following lemma reduces the problem to André–Quillen homology:

Lemma 3.1. *Let A be a Noetherian ring, and $I \subseteq A$ an ideal. Consider the following statements:*

- (i) $D_n^i(A/\mathbb{Z}, A/I)$ is a finitely generated A -module for all $n, i \geq 0$.
- (i') $D_n^i(A/\mathbb{Z}, M)$ is a finitely generated A -module for all $n, i \geq 0$ and all finitely generated A -modules M killed by a power of I .
- (ii) $HH_n(A, A/I)$ is a finitely generated A -module for all $n \geq 0$.
- (ii') $HH_n(A, M)$ is a finitely generated A -module for all $n \geq 0$ and all finitely generated A -modules M killed by a power of I .
- (iii) $THH_n(A, A/I)$ is a finitely generated A -module for all $n \geq 0$.
- (iii') $THH_n(A, M)$ is a finitely generated A -module for all $n \geq 0$ and all finitely generated A -modules M killed by a power of I .

Then (i) \iff (i') \implies (ii) \iff (ii') \iff (iii) \iff (iii').

Proof. The implications (i) \implies (i'), (ii) \implies (ii'), and (iii) \implies (iii') (whose converses are trivial) follow in the usual way using universal coefficient spectral sequences and long exact homology sequences; we will demonstrate the argument in the case of André–Quillen homology. Let M be a finitely generated A -module killed by a power of I ; by induction on the power of I killing M , and using the long exact sequence

$$\dots \longrightarrow D_n^i(A/\mathbb{Z}, IM) \longrightarrow D_n^i(A/\mathbb{Z}, M) \longrightarrow D_n^i(A/\mathbb{Z}, M/IM) \longrightarrow \dots,$$

we may clearly assume that $IM = 0$. Thus $M \otimes_A A/I = M$ and so there is a universal coefficient spectral sequence

$$E_{st}^2 = \text{Tor}_s^A(M, D_t^i(A/\mathbb{Z}, A/I)) \implies D_{s+t}^i(A/\mathbb{Z}, M).$$

Assuming (i), the A -modules on the left are finitely generated, hence the abutment is also finitely generated, proving (i').

Implication (i) \Rightarrow (ii) is an immediate consequence of the André–Quillen-to-Hochschild-homology spectral sequence

$$E_{ij}^2 = D_i^j(A/\mathbb{Z}, A/I) \implies HH_{i+j}(A, A/I).$$

The implication (ii') \Rightarrow (iii) follows from the results recalled in Section 1.3.1. Indeed, the Pirashvili–Waldhausen spectral sequence

$$E_{ij}^2 = HH_i(A, THH_j(\mathbb{Z}, A/I)) \implies THH_{i+j}(A, A/I)$$

will prove this implication if we know that $THH_j(\mathbb{Z}, A/I)$ is a finitely generated A -module for all j ; fortunately Bökstedt's calculation shows that this is indeed the case:

$$THH_j(\mathbb{Z}, A/I) \cong \begin{cases} A/I & j = 0 \\ A/(I + mA) & j = 2m - 1 \\ (A/I)[m] & j = 2m > 0 \end{cases}$$

It remains to prove (iii') \Rightarrow (ii'), although we will not need this implication in the remainder of the paper. To proceed by induction, fix $n \geq 0$ and suppose we have shown that $HH_i(A, M)$ is finitely generated for all $i < n$ and for all finitely generated A -modules M killed by a power of I ; note that the base case of the induction is covered by the identity $HH_0(A, M) = M$. To prove the desired implication, it is now enough to fix an A -module M killed by a power of I and to show that $HH_n(A, M)$ is finitely generated. The inductive hypothesis and Bökstedt's calculation shows that, in the Pirashvili–Waldhausen spectral sequence

$$E_{ij}^2 = HH_i(A, THH_j(\mathbb{Z}, M)) \implies THH_{i+j}(A, M),$$

the A -modules E_{ij}^2 are finitely generated for all $i < n$. Since $THH_n(A, M)$ is finitely generated by assumption, it easily follows, e.g. by working in the Serre quotient category of A -modules modulo the finitely generated modules, that $E_{n0}^2 = HH_n(A, M)$ is also finitely generated, as required. \square

To prove the fundamental results about finite generation of André–Quillen homology we will systematically work with simplicial modules and their homotopy theory, albeit not in a deep way; this could be avoided by making use of various spectral sequences, but at the expense of considerably lengthening the proofs and essentially repeating the same arguments. Therefore we now introduce some notation and make a few observations which will be repeatedly used in what follows.

Given a commutative ring A , let $sA\text{-mod}$ denote the category of simplicial A -modules, which is equivalent via the Dold–Kan correspondence to the category of chain complexes vanishing in negative degrees. We will be particularly interested in those simplicial A -modules having finitely generated homotopy over A ; i.e., those $M_\bullet \in sA\text{-mod}$ for which $\pi_n(M_\bullet)$ is a finitely generated A -module for all $n \geq 0$.

The following permanence properties of such simplicial A -modules will be essential:

Lemma 3.2. *Let A be a Noetherian ring. Then:*

- (i) *If $L_\bullet \rightarrow M_\bullet \rightarrow N_\bullet$ is a homotopy cofibre sequence of simplicial A -modules such that two of L_\bullet , M_\bullet , N_\bullet have finitely generated homotopy over A , then so does the third.*

(ii) If $L_\bullet \in sA\text{-mod}$ consists of flat A -modules in each degree and has finitely generated homotopy, and B is a Noetherian A -algebra, then $L_\bullet \otimes_A B$ has finitely generated homotopy over B .

(iii) If $L_\bullet, M_\bullet \in sA\text{-mod}$ have finitely generated homotopy, and L_\bullet consists of flat A -modules in each degree, then $L_\bullet \otimes_A M_\bullet$ has finitely generated homotopy.

Proof. (i) is an obvious consequence of the long exact sequence of A -modules

$$\cdots \longrightarrow \pi_n(L_\bullet) \longrightarrow \pi_n(M_\bullet) \longrightarrow \pi_n(N_\bullet) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

(iii): The flatness assumption implies that there is a spectral sequence of B -modules $E_{ij}^2 = \text{Tor}_i^A(\pi_j(L_\bullet), B) \implies \pi_{i+j}(L_\bullet \otimes_A B)$, so it is enough to show that the Tors are finitely generated B -modules; since $\pi_j(L_\bullet)$ is finitely generated over A by assumption, we may pick a resolution P_\bullet of it by finitely generated, projective A -modules, and then $\text{Tor}_i^A(\pi_j(L_\bullet), B) = H_i(P_\bullet \otimes_A B)$ is evidently finitely generated over B .

(iv): The flatness assumption implies that there is a spectral sequence of A -modules $E_{ij}^1 = L_p \otimes_A \pi_i(M_\bullet) \implies \pi_{i+j}(L_\bullet \otimes_A M_\bullet)$, whose E_2 -page is $E_2^{ij} = \pi_i(L_\bullet \otimes_A \pi_j(M_\bullet))$, where. But these terms on the E_2 -page are finitely generated thanks to our assumption and the spectral sequences $'E_2^{st} = \text{Tor}_s^A(\pi_t(L_\bullet), \pi_j(M_\bullet)) \implies \pi_{s+t}(L_\bullet \otimes_A \pi_j(M_\bullet))$ for each $j \geq 0$. \square

The second tool to prove the required results about finite generation of André–Quillen homology is a spectral sequence due originally to C. Kassel & A. Sletsjøe [19, Thm. 3.2], which was rediscovered in [20] and [27]. We state it here as a filtration on the cotangent complexes, rather than as the resulting spectral sequence:

Lemma 3.3 (Kassel–Sletsjøe). *Let $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ be homomorphisms of rings. Then it is possible to choose the cotangent complexes $\mathbb{L}_{C/A}$, $\mathbb{L}_{C/B}$, and $\mathbb{L}_{B/A}$ to be degree-wise projective modules and, for all $i \geq 0$, so that $\mathbb{L}_{C/A}^i$ has a natural filtration*

$$\mathbb{L}_{C/A}^i = F^0 \mathbb{L}_{C/A}^i \supseteq F^1 \mathbb{L}_{C/A}^i \supseteq \cdots \supseteq F^i \mathbb{L}_{C/A}^i = \mathbb{L}_{B/A}^i \otimes_B C \supseteq F^{i+1} \mathbb{L}_{C/A}^i = 0$$

of length i by simplicial C -modules, with graded pieces

$$\text{gr}^j \mathbb{L}_{C/A}^i \cong (\mathbb{L}_{B/A}^j \otimes_B C) \otimes_C \mathbb{L}_{C/B}^{i-j}$$

for $j = 0, \dots, i$.

Sketch of proof. One chooses simplicial resolutions in the usual way [32, Thm. 5.1] to ensure that the Jacobi–Zariski sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{L}_{B/A} \otimes_B C \rightarrow \mathbb{L}_{C/A} \rightarrow \mathbb{L}_{C/B} \rightarrow 0$$

is actually a short exact sequence of simplicial C -modules which are projective in each degree. Then observe that whenever $0 \rightarrow L \rightarrow M \rightarrow N \rightarrow 0$ is a short exact sequence of projective modules over C , there is a resulting filtration on $\bigwedge^i M$ with graded pieces $\bigwedge^j L \otimes_C \bigwedge^{i-j} N$. \square

With these tools at hand, we may now begin to prove the main results about finite generation of André–Quillen homology; to simplify our statements, it is convenient to make the following definition:

Definition 3.4. Let $m \geq 0$ be an integer. We say that a homomorphism $k \rightarrow A$ of Noetherian rings is *m-AQ-finite*, or that A is *m-AQ-finite* over k , if and only if the André–Quillen homology groups $D_n^i(A/k, A/mA)$ are finitely generated A -modules for all $n, i \geq 0$.

In the case $m = 0$ we omit the “0-”; so A is AQ-finite over k if and only if $D_n^i(A/k)$ is finitely generated for all $n, i \geq 0$.

In the case $k = \mathbb{Z}$ we omit the “over \mathbb{Z} ”, and say simply that A is *m-AQ-finite* or AQ-finite.

Lemma 3.5. *Assume all rings in the following assertions are Noetherian, and let $m \geq 0$. Then:*

- (i) *A finite type morphism is m-AQ-finite.*
- (ii) *Localising at a multiplicative system is m-AQ-finite.*
- (iii) *A composition of two m-AQ-finite morphisms is again m-AQ-finite.*

Proof. Since AQ-finiteness implies *m-AQ-finiteness* (this follows from the implication (i) \Rightarrow (i’) of Lemma 3.1), it is enough to prove (i) and (ii) in the case $m = 0$.

Then (i) is a result of Quillen, obtained by constructing a simplicial resolution of the finitely generated k -algebra A by finitely generated, free k -algebras; see [32, Prop. 4.12]. Claim (ii) is another result of Quillen: if S is a multiplicative system in k , then [32, Thm. 5.4] states that $D_n^i(S^{-1}k/k) = 0$.

(iii): Let $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ be homomorphisms of Noetherian rings such that $A \rightarrow B$ and $B \rightarrow C$ are *m-AQ-finite*. Pick the cotangent complexes according to Lemma 3.3, and fix $i \geq 0$. Since all the simplicial modules appearing in the statement of Lemma 3.3 are degree-wise projective, the description of the filtration remains valid after tensoring by any C -module. In particular, we deduce that $\mathbb{L}_{C/A}^i \otimes_C C/mC$ has a decreasing filtration with graded pieces.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{gr}^j(\mathbb{L}_{C/A}^i \otimes_C C/mC) &\cong (\mathbb{L}_{B/A}^j \otimes_B C) \otimes_C \mathbb{L}_{C/B}^{i-j} \otimes_C C/mC \\ &\cong ((\mathbb{L}_{B/A}^j \otimes_B B/mB) \otimes_{B/mB} C/mC) \otimes_{C/mC} (\mathbb{L}_{C/B}^{i-j} \otimes_C C/mC) \end{aligned}$$

for $j = 0, \dots, i$. By the *m-AQ-finiteness* assumption, $\mathbb{L}_{B/A}^j \otimes_B B/mB$ and $\mathbb{L}_{C/B}^{i-j} \otimes_C C/mC$ and have finitely generated homotopy over B and C , respectively; so Lemma 3.2(iii)+(iv) imply that the above graded pieces have finitely generated homotopy. Applying Lemma 3.2(i) i -times, it follows that $\mathbb{L}_{C/A}^i \otimes_C C/mC$ has finitely generated homotopy, as desired. \square

The following finite generation result is the first main result of the paper; it states, in particular, that if A is a Noetherian, F-finite \mathbb{F}_p -algebra, then the André–Quillen homology groups $D_n^i(A/\mathbb{F}_p)$ are finitely generated A -modules for all $n, i \geq 0$:

Theorem 3.6. *Let p be a prime number.*

- (i) *Let $e \geq 1$; then any Noetherian, F-finite $\mathbb{Z}/p^e\mathbb{Z}$ -algebra is AQ-finite over $\mathbb{Z}/p^e\mathbb{Z}$ and over \mathbb{Z} .*
- (ii) *Any Noetherian, F-finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra is p-AQ-finite over $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ and over \mathbb{Z} .*

Proof. First let A be a Noetherian, F-finite \mathbb{F}_p -algebra. Let $F : A \rightarrow A$ be the absolute Frobenius $x \mapsto x^p$. The homomorphism F may be factored as a composition of \mathbb{F}_p -algebra homomorphisms

$$A \xrightarrow{\pi} A^p \xrightarrow{e} A,$$

where A^p is the subring of A consisting of p^{th} -powers, $\pi(x) := x^p$, and e is the natural inclusion. Our proof will be based on the following observations:

- (i) π and e are finite type homomorphism between Noetherian rings (indeed, A^p is a quotient of the Noetherian ring A , and the fact that e is of finite type is exactly our assumption that A is F-finite).
- (ii) The absolute Frobenius $F : \mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}^i \rightarrow \mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}^i$ is zero for $i \geq 1$ (indeed, in any \mathbb{F}_p -algebra, we have $F(d\beta) = d\beta^p = p\beta^{p-1}d\beta = 0$).

We will now prove the following by induction on $i \geq 0$:

If A is a Noetherian, F-finite \mathbb{F}_p -algebra, then $\mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}^i$ has finitely generated homotopy over A .

The claim is trivial for $i = 0$ since $\mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}^0 \simeq A$, so assume $i \geq 1$. We remark that, in the inductive proof that follows, we will need to choose different models of the cotangent complex $\mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}$

Apply Lemma 3.3 to the composition $\mathbb{F}_p \rightarrow A^p \xrightarrow{e} A$ to see that it is possible to pick the cotangent complexes $\mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}$, \mathbb{L}_{A/A^p} , and $\mathbb{L}_{A^p/A}$ in such a way that $\mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}^i$ has a descending filtration $F^\bullet \mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}^i$ with graded pieces

$$\text{gr}^j \mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}^i \cong (\mathbb{L}_{A^p/\mathbb{F}_p}^j \otimes_{A^p} A) \otimes_A \mathbb{L}_{A/A^p}^{i-j} \quad (\dagger)$$

for $j = 0, \dots, i$. For each $j = 0, \dots, i-1$, the simplicial A^p -module $\mathbb{L}_{A^p/\mathbb{F}_p}^j$ has finitely generated homotopy over A^p by the inductive hypothesis (note that A^p is also a Noetherian, F-finite \mathbb{F}_p -algebra since it is a quotient of A); meanwhile, \mathbb{L}_{A/A^p}^{i-j} has finitely generated homotopy over A by Lemma 3.5(i). Applying Lemma 3.2(iii)+(iv) we deduce that the right side of (\dagger) has finitely generated homotopy over A for $j = 0, \dots, i-1$; from Lemma 3.2(i) it follows that $X := \mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}^i / F^i \mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}^i$ has finitely generated homotopy. In summary, we have a homotopy cofibre sequence

$$\text{gr}^i \mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}^i = \mathbb{L}_{A^p/\mathbb{F}_p}^i \otimes_{A^p} A \xrightarrow{e} \mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}^i \longrightarrow X,$$

where X has finitely generated homotopy over A .

We now apply a similar argument to the composition $\mathbb{F}_p \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{\pi} A^p$, after first picking new models for the cotangent complexes $\mathbb{L}_{A^p/\mathbb{F}_p}$, $\mathbb{L}_{A^p/A}$, and $\mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}$ such that $\mathbb{L}_{A^p/\mathbb{F}_p}^i$ has a descending filtration $F^\bullet \mathbb{L}_{A^p/\mathbb{F}_p}^i$ with graded pieces

$$\text{gr}^j \mathbb{L}_{A^p/\mathbb{F}_p}^i \cong (\mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}^j \otimes_A A^p) \otimes_{A^p} \mathbb{L}_{A^p/A}^{i-j} \quad (\dagger)$$

for $j = 0, \dots, i$. The inductive hypothesis implies that $\mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}^j$ has finitely generated homotopy over A for $j = 0, \dots, i-1$, and Lemma 3.5(i) implies that $\mathbb{L}_{A^p/A}^{i-j}$ has finitely generated homotopy over A^p . So by the same argument as in the previous paragraph,

$\mathbb{L}_{A^p/\mathbb{F}_p}^i/F^i\mathbb{L}_{A^p/\mathbb{F}_p}^i$ has finitely generated homotopy over A^p . Using Lemma 3.2(iii) to base change along $A^p \xrightarrow{e} A$, we deduce that there is a homotopy cofibre sequence

$$\mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}^i \otimes_A A^p \otimes_{A^p} A \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathbb{L}_{A^p/\mathbb{F}_p}^i \otimes_{A^p} A \longrightarrow Y$$

of simplicial A -modules, where Y has finitely generated homotopy over A .

In conclusion, we have a diagram in the homotopy category of simplicial A -modules

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & Y \\ & & \uparrow \\ & & \mathbb{L}_{A^p/\mathbb{F}_p}^i \otimes_{A^p} A \xrightarrow{e} \mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}^i \longrightarrow X \\ & & \uparrow \pi \\ \mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}^i \otimes_A A^p \otimes_{A^p} A & & \end{array}$$

in which the row and column are both homotopy cofibre sequences, and in which X and Y have finitely generated homotopy. By commutativity of taking homotopy colimits, there is therefore a resulting homotopy cofibre sequence

$$Y \longrightarrow \text{hocofib}(\mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}^i \otimes_A A^p \otimes_{A^p} A \xrightarrow{e \circ \pi} \mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}^i) \longrightarrow X,$$

and so Lemma 3.2(i) implies that the simplicial A -module in the centre of this sequence also has finitely generated homotopy. But by observation (ii) earlier in the proof, $e \circ \pi = F$ is nulhomotopic on the cotangent complexes, so this means that both $\mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}^i \otimes_A A^p \otimes_{A^p} A$ and $\mathbb{L}_{A/\mathbb{F}_p}^i$ must have finitely generated over homotopy over A , which completes the proof of the inductive step.

We have proved that any Noetherian, F -finite \mathbb{F}_p -algebra is AQ-finite over \mathbb{F}_p ; the remaining claims of the theorem will all follow from this. Firstly let k denote either $\mathbb{Z}/p^e\mathbb{Z}$ or $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$, and note that any Noetherian, F -finite \mathbb{F}_p -algebra is also AQ-finite over k ; this follows from Lemma 3.5.

Now let A be a Noetherian, F -finite k -algebra. We will prove by induction on $i \geq 0$ that $\mathbb{L}_{A/k}^i \otimes_A A/pA$ has finitely generated homotopy over A/pA . We apply Lemma 3.3 to the composition $k \rightarrow A \rightarrow A/pA$ and note the following, similar to the earlier part of the proof: $\mathbb{L}_{(A/pA)/k}^i$ has finitely generated homotopy by what we have already proved, while $\text{gr}^j \mathbb{L}_{(A/pA)/k}^i \cong (\mathbb{L}_{A/k}^j \otimes_A A/pA) \otimes_{A/pA} \mathbb{L}_{(A/pA)/A}^{i-j}$ has finitely generated homotopy over A/pA for $j = 0, \dots, i-1$ by Lemma 3.2 and the inductive hypothesis. By Lemma 3.2 again, it follows that the remaining part of the filtration, namely $\text{gr}^i \mathbb{L}_{(A/pA)/k}^i \cong \mathbb{L}_{A/k}^i \otimes_A A/pA$, also has finitely generated homotopy over A/pA , as required.

We have proved that any Noetherian, F -finite k -algebra is p -AQ-finite over k , hence also over \mathbb{Z} by Lemma 3.5. This completes the proof of (ii).

From now on $k = \mathbb{Z}/p^e\mathbb{Z}$ for some $e \geq 1$. All that remains to be shown is that if a Noetherian k -algebra A is p -AQ-finite over k , then it is actually AQ-finite over k . By implication (i) \Rightarrow (ii) of Lemma 3.1 with $I = pA$, it follows that $D_n^i(A/k, M)$ is finitely generated for any finitely generated A -module M which is killed by a power of p ; in particular, taking $M = A = A/p^e A$ we deduce that $D_n^i(A/k)$ is finitely generated for all $n, i \geq 0$, as required. \square

The following is our main finite generation theorem for HH , THH , and TR^r , from which others will follow:

Theorem 3.7. *Let A be a Noetherian, F -finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, and v a positive integer. Then:*

- (i) $HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ and $THH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ are finitely generated A -modules for all $n \geq 0$.
- (ii) $TR_n^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ is a finitely generated $W_r(A)$ -module for all $n \geq 0$, $r \geq 1$.

Proof. (i): As explained in Section 1.4, there is a long exact sequence of A -modules

$$\cdots \longrightarrow HH_{n-1}(A, A[p^v]) \longrightarrow HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \longrightarrow HH_n(A, A/p^v A) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

The A -modules $HH_n(A, A[p^v])$ and $HH_n(A, A/p^v A)$ are finitely generated for all $n \geq 0$ by Theorem 3.6 and Lemma 3.1, whence $HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ is also finitely generated. The argument for THH is verbatim equivalent.

(ii): The fundamental long exact sequence

$$\cdots \longrightarrow \pi_n(THH(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)_{hC_{p^r}}) \longrightarrow TR_n^{r+1}(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \longrightarrow TR_n^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

is one of $W_{r+1}(A)$ -modules, as explained in Sections 1.3.3 and 1.4. Since the ring $W_{r+1}(A)$ is Noetherian by Langer–Zink (Theorem 2.6), it is enough by the five lemma and induction (recall that $TR_n^1(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) = THH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ to start the induction) to show that $\pi_n(THH(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)_{hC_{p^r}})$ is a finitely generated $W_{r+1}(A)$ -module for all $n, r \geq 0$.

To show this, recall the group homology spectral sequence

$$E_{ij}^2 = H_i(C_{p^r}, THH_j(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) \implies \pi_{i+j}(THH(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)_{hC_{p^r}}),$$

which is a spectral sequence of $W_{r+1}(A)$ -modules, where $W_{r+1}(A)$ acts on the A -modules on the E^2 -page via $F^r : W_{r+1}(A) \rightarrow A$. But each A -module E_{st}^2 is finitely generated by part (i), hence is also finitely generated as a $W_{r+1}(A)$ -module since F^r is a finite morphism (again by Langer–Zink). Thus the abutment of the spectral sequence is also finitely generated over $W_{r+1}(A)$, as required. \square

Standard techniques allow us to let $v \rightarrow \infty$ in Theorem 3.7, thereby proving Theorem 0.2 of the Introduction:

Corollary 3.8. *Let A be a Noetherian, F -finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra. Then:*

- (i) $HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}_p)$ and $THH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}_p)$ are finitely generated A_p^\wedge -modules for all $n \geq 0$.
- (ii) $TR_n^r(A; p, \mathbb{Z}_p)$ is a finitely generated $W_r(A_p^\wedge)$ -module for all $n \geq 0$, $r \geq 1$.

Proof. This follows from Theorem 3.7 via Proposition A.1 in the appendix; note that $W_r(A)_p^\wedge \cong W_r(A_p^\wedge)$ by Lemma 2.4. \square

In the case in which p is nilpotent in A , for example when A is an \mathbb{F}_p -algebra, it is evidently not necessary to p -complete:

Corollary 3.9. *Let A be a Noetherian, F -finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra in which p is nilpotent. Then:*

- (i) $HH_n(A)$ and $THH_n(A)$ are finitely generated A -modules for all $n \geq 0$.
- (ii) $TR_n^r(A; p)$ is a finitely generated $W_r(A)$ -module for all $n \geq 0$, $r \geq 1$.

Proof. Since p is nilpotent in A , it is also nilpotent in $W_r(A)$ by Lemma 2.9(ii); hence $HH_n(A)$, $THH_n(A)$, and $TR_n^r(A; p)$ are all groups of bounded p -torsion. It follows that $HH_n(A) = HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}_p)$, similarly for THH and TR , and that $\widehat{A}_p = A$. So the claim follows from Corollary 3.8 (or it can be deduced directly from Theorem 3.7 without passing via the p -completion). \square

Remark 3.10. The assertions of Corollary 3.9 are true whenever A is a Noetherian, F-finite, AQ-finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra (e.g., an essentially finite type $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra).

Firstly, (i) follows immediately from Lemmas 3.5 and 3.1. To prove (ii), one then repeats the proof of Theorem 3.7(ii), except working directly with $THH(A)$ and $TR^r(A; p)$ instead of $THH(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ and $TR^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$.

4 CONTINUITY AND THE PRO HKR THEOREMS

Let A be a Noetherian ring and $I \subseteq A$ an ideal. Then there is a canonical map

$$THH_n(A) \otimes_A A/I \rightarrow THH_n(A/I),$$

which is rarely an isomorphism. Replacing I by powers of itself obtains a morphism of pro A -modules,

$$\{THH_n(A) \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s \longrightarrow \{THH_n(A/I^s)\}_s,$$

and the question was raised in [4] as to when it is an isomorphism. For example, it was shown by Geisser and Hesselholt [11, §1] to be an isomorphism in the case that $A = R[X_1, \dots, X_d]$ is a polynomial algebra over any ring R , and $I = \langle X_1, \dots, X_d \rangle$. Under our usual hypotheses including F-finiteness, we will show in Section 4.2 that it is an isomorphism for *any* ideal I , at least working with Hochschild homology with finite coefficients.

From such “degree-wise continuity” results we obtain further isomorphisms such as $THH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_A \widehat{A} \cong THH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$, where \widehat{A} is the I -adic completion of A , and weak equivalences of spectra such as $THH(A)_p \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{holim}_s THH(A/I^s)_p$. This latter result is known as the continuity of topological Hochschild homology with respect to $I \subseteq A$.

Similar results are given for HH , TR^r , TC , etc., and in the following special cases: firstly when p is nilpotent, and secondly when $I = pA$.

4.1 The restriction spectral sequence

A key tool in our forthcoming proof of continuity properties is a certain restriction spectral sequence for derived Hochschild homology. This was established for topological Hochschild homology by M. Brun [3, Thm. 6.2.10], and the analogue in the algebraic case likely follows from his proof; however, for convenience we offer a purely algebraic proof via simplicial methods.

We remark that this is the one place in the paper where the rings need not be commutative; indeed, even if the reader restricts to commutative rings, he/she should be aware that the B -bimodule $\text{Tor}_q^A(B, M)$ appearing in the following result is not in general a symmetric module (though in our main case of interest, when A is commutative and $B = A/I^s$, it is symmetric).

Proposition 4.1. *Let k be a commutative ring, $A \rightarrow B$ a morphism of k -algebras, and M a B -bimodule. Then there is a natural spectral sequence of k -modules*

$$E_{ij}^2 = HH_i^k(B, \text{Tor}_j^A(B, M)) \implies HH_{i+j}^k(A, M).$$

Before we can give the proof of the proposition, we must recall some results about simplicial resolutions and bar complexes.

Given a commutative ring k , we will work with simplicial k -algebras, the category of which is equipped with Quillen's usual model structure [33] for categories of simplicial objects. We have the following key lemma thanks to Quillen [32, Thm. 5.1], which amounts to the statement that the model structure on simplicial k -algebras is left proper:

Suppose $k \twoheadrightarrow P_\bullet \xrightarrow{\sim} A$ is a cofibrant replacement of $k \rightarrow A$, and that $P_\bullet \twoheadrightarrow Q_\bullet \xrightarrow{\sim} B$ is a cofibrant replacement of $P_\bullet \rightarrow B$ (so that $k \twoheadrightarrow Q_\bullet \xrightarrow{\sim} B$ is a cofibrant replacement of $k \rightarrow B$). Then $A \rightarrow Q_\bullet \otimes_{P_\bullet} A \rightarrow B$ is a cofibrant replacement of $A \rightarrow B$.

Let k be a commutative ring, A a k -algebra, M a left A -module, and N a right A -module. We denote by $B_\bullet^k(M, A, N)$ the two-sided bar complex: it is the simplicial k -module given by

$$B_\bullet^k(N, A, M) = N \otimes_k \underbrace{A \otimes_k \cdots \otimes_k A}_{\bullet \text{ times}} \otimes_k M.$$

Equivalently, $B_\bullet(N, A, M) = C_\bullet^k(A, M \otimes_k N)$, where $C_\bullet^k(A, -)$ denotes the simplicial Hochschild k -module of an A -bimodule.

The following are standard facts about bar complexes:

- (i) $B_\bullet^k(N, A, M) \cong N \otimes_A B_\bullet^k(A, A, A) \otimes_A M$.
- (ii) $B_\bullet^k(A, A, A) = C_\bullet^k(A, A \otimes_k A^{\text{op}})$, and this is a simplicial A -bimodule. More generally, if M is an A -bimodule, then there is an isomorphism of simplicial k -modules:

$$C_\bullet^k(A, M) \cong M \otimes_{A \otimes A^{\text{op}}} B_\bullet^k(A, A, A), \quad a_0 m a_{n+1} \otimes a_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_n \leftrightarrow m \otimes a_0 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{n+1}$$

- (iii) $B_\bullet^k(A, A, M) \rightarrow M$ is a resolution of M as a left A -module; if M is in fact an A -bimodule, then it is a resolution of M as an A -bimodule.

Proof of Proposition 4.1. Let simplicial resolutions be as in Quillen's lemma. Moreover, let $M_\bullet \rightarrow M$ be a projective simplicial resolution of M as a left Q_\bullet -module; i.e., $M_\bullet \rightarrow M$ is a quasi-isomorphism of simplicial left Q_\bullet -modules, and M_i is a projective left Q_i -module for each $i \geq 0$.

Form the simplicial k -module

$$X_\bullet = C_\bullet(Q_\bullet, B_\bullet(Q_\bullet, P_\bullet, M_\bullet)),$$

whose homotopy groups we will calculate in two ways. Firstly, X_\bullet is the diagonal of the bisimplicial k -module

$$\langle X_{ij} \rangle_{ij} = \langle C_i(Q_j, B_j(Q_j, P_j, M_j)) \rangle_{ij}.$$

For each fixed $j \geq 0$, the simplicial k -module $C_\bullet(Q_j, B_j(Q_j, P_j, M_j))$ calculates

$$\text{Tor}_*^{Q_j \otimes_k Q_j^{\text{op}}} (B_j(Q_j, P_j, M_j), Q_j).$$

But $B_j(Q_j, P_j, M_j)$ is a projective $Q_j \otimes_k Q_j^{\text{op}}$ -module, so these Tor groups vanish in higher degree; therefore the natural map $X_\bullet \rightarrow Q_\bullet \otimes_{Q_\bullet \otimes_k Q_\bullet^{\text{op}}} B_\bullet(Q_\bullet, P_\bullet, M_\bullet)$ is a quasi-isomorphism. Furthermore, for each i , the natural map

$$M_i \rightarrow Q_i \otimes_{Q_i \otimes_k Q_i^{\text{op}}} (M_i \otimes_k Q_i)$$

is an isomorphism k -modules (this is obvious if M_i is a free left Q_i -module, hence follows for the case of a projective module), and so we have an isomorphism of simplicial k -modules:

$$C_\bullet(P_\bullet, M_\bullet) \xrightarrow{\sim} Q_\bullet \otimes_{Q_\bullet \otimes_k Q_\bullet^{\text{op}}} B_\bullet(Q_\bullet, P_\bullet, M_\bullet)$$

In conclusion, $X_\bullet \simeq C_\bullet(P_\bullet, M_\bullet)$, and $C_\bullet(P_\bullet, M_\bullet) \rightarrow C_\bullet(P_\bullet, M)$ is obviously a quasi-isomorphism; so X_\bullet calculates $HH_*^k(A, M)$.

Secondly, for each fixed i , the augmentation map $B_\bullet(P_i, P_i, M_i) \rightarrow M_i$ is a quasi-isomorphism and remains so after applying $C_i(Q_i, Q_i \otimes_{P_i} -)$; it easily follows that X_\bullet is quasi-isomorphic to $C_\bullet(Q_\bullet, Q_\bullet \otimes_{P_\bullet} M_\bullet) = C_\bullet(Q_\bullet, R_\bullet \otimes_A M_\bullet)$, where $R_\bullet := Q_\bullet \otimes_{P_\bullet} A$. For each i , we may factor the natural map of simplicial k -algebras $R_i \rightarrow B$ as $R_i \twoheadrightarrow R_{i\bullet} \xrightarrow{\sim} B$; since both R_\bullet and the diagonal of $R_{\bullet\bullet}$ are quasi-isomorphic to B , we see that X_\bullet is quasi-isomorphic to the diagonal of the bisimplicial k -algebra

$$Y_{\bullet\bullet} = \langle C_i(Q_i, R_{ij} \otimes_A M_i) \rangle_{ij}$$

Since $M_\bullet \xrightarrow{\sim} M$ we may also replace M_i by M in the definition of Y .

For each fixed i , the simplicial A -algebra $R_{i\bullet}$ is a projective resolution of B , so $R_{i\bullet} \otimes_A M_i$ calculates $\text{Tor}_*^A(B, M)$. The usual spectral sequence of a bisimplicial group completes the proof. \square

4.2 Degree-wise continuity and continuity of HH , THH , TR^r , etc.

Combining the restriction spectral sequence of Proposition 4.1 with our earlier finite generation results and the Artin–Rees theorem, we may now establish our “degree-wise continuity” results, starting with the following lemma:

Lemma 4.2. *Let A be a Noetherian ring, $I \subseteq A$ an ideal, M a finitely generated A -module, and $n \geq 0$. Consider the canonical maps:*

$$\begin{aligned} \{HH_n(A, M) \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s &\xrightarrow{(ii)} \{HH_n(A, M/I^s M)\}_s \xrightarrow{(i)} \{HH_n(A/I^s, M/I^s M)\}_s \\ \{THH_n(A, M) \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s &\xrightarrow{(ii)} \{THH_n(A, M/I^s M)\}_s \xrightarrow{(i)} \{THH_n(A/I^s, M/I^s M)\}_s \end{aligned}$$

Then maps (i) are isomorphisms. If A is further assumed to be m -AQ-finite for some $m \geq 0$, and M is annihilated by m , then maps (ii) are also isomorphisms.

Proof. (i): By Proposition 4.1, for each $s \geq 1$ there is a first quadrant spectral sequence of A -modules

$$E_{ij}^2(s) = HH_i(A/I^s, \text{Tor}_j^A(A/I^s, M/I^s M)) \implies HH_{i+j}(A, M/I^s M).$$

These assemble to a spectral sequence of pro A -modules

$$E_{ij}^2(\infty) = \{HH_i(A/I^s, \text{Tor}_j^A(A/I^s, M/I^s M))\}_s \implies \{HH_{i+j}(A, M/I^s M)\}_s.$$

But $\{\text{Tor}_j^A(A/I^s, M/I^s M)\}_s = 0$ for all $j \geq 1$, by Corollary 1.2, so this spectral sequence collapses to edge map isomorphisms $\{HH_n(A, M/I^s M)\}_s \xrightarrow{\sim} \{HH_n(A/I^s, M/I^s M)\}_r$ of pro A -modules for all $n \geq 0$; this proves isomorphism (i) for HH .

Isomorphism (i) for THH can be proved in exactly the same way as HH , using Brun’s THH version of Proposition 4.1 in [3, Thm. 6.2.10]. However, we will show that it can

also be deduced from the HH case using the Pirashvili–Waldhausen spectral sequence, which was described in Section 1.3.1.

The P.–W. spectral sequences for A and its modules $M/I^s M$ assemble to a spectral sequence of pro A -modules

$$F_{ij}^2(\infty) = \{HH_i(A, THH_j(\mathbb{Z}, M/I^s M))\}_s \implies \{THH_{i+j}(A, M/I^s M)\}_s.$$

Similarly, the P.–W. spectral sequences for the rings A/I^s and modules $M/I^s M$ assemble to a spectral sequence of pro A -modules

$${}'F_{ij}^2(\infty) = \{HH_i(A/I^s, THH_j(\mathbb{Z}, M/I^s M))\}_s \implies \{THH_{i+j}(A/I^s M, M/I^s M)\}_s.$$

By naturality there is a morphism of spectral sequences ${}'F(\infty) \rightarrow F(\infty)$, and the proof of (i) will be complete if we show it is an isomorphism on the terms on the second pages, i.e., that

$$\{HH_i(A, THH_j(\mathbb{Z}, M/I^s M))\}_s \xrightarrow{\cong} \{HH_i(A/I^s, THH_j(\mathbb{Z}, M/I^s M))\}_s \quad (\dagger)$$

for all $i, j \geq 0$. However, Bökstedt’s calculation of $THH(\mathbb{Z}, -)$ as torsion or cortorsion, and Corollary 1.4, imply that

$$\{THH_j(\mathbb{Z}, M/I^s M)\}_s \cong \{THH_j(\mathbb{Z}, M) \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s.$$

So the map (\dagger) is an isomorphism if and only if the map

$$\{HH_i(A, THH_j(\mathbb{Z}, M) \otimes_A A/I^s)\}_s \longrightarrow \{HH_i(A/I^s, THH_j(\mathbb{Z}, M) \otimes_A A/I^s)\}_s$$

is an isomorphism; since $THH_j(\mathbb{Z}, M)$ is a finitely generated A -module by Bökstedt’s calculation, this is indeed an isomorphism by the already established HH case of (i).

(ii): Now assume further that A is m -AQ-finite and that M is killed by m . Universal coefficient spectral sequences for HH assemble to a spectral sequence of pro A -modules

$${}'E_{ij}^2(\infty) = \{\mathrm{Tor}_i^A(A/I^s, HH_j(A, M))\}_s \implies \{HH_{i+j}(A, M/I^s M)\}_s.$$

But the the A -modules $HH_j(A, M)$ are finitely generated for all $q \geq 0$ by assumption and Lemma 3.1, so $\{\mathrm{Tor}_i^A(A/I^s, HH_j(A, M))\}_s = 0$ for $i \geq 1$ by the Artin–Rees Theorem 1.1(i). Thus we again obtain edge map isomorphisms $\{HH_n(A, M) \otimes_A A/I^r\}_r \xrightarrow{\cong} \{HH_n(A, M/I^r M)\}_r$, completing the proof of isomorphism (ii) for HH . The proof for THH is verbatim equivalent. \square

We now reach our main degree-wise continuity results, which establishes Theorem 0.4 of the Introduction:

Theorem 4.3. *Let A be a Noetherian, F -finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, $I \subseteq A$ an ideal, and $v \geq 1$. Then the canonical maps*

$$(i) \{HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s \longrightarrow \{HH_n(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s$$

$$(ii) \{TR_n^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(A/I^s)\}_s \longrightarrow \{TR_n^r(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s$$

are isomorphisms for all $n \geq 0$, $r \geq 1$.

Proof. (i): This follows from the HH part of Lemma 4.2 in a relatively straightforward way: to keep the proof clear we will use ∞ notation for all the pro A -modules. As in the proof of Theorem 3.7(i), there is a long exact sequence of A -modules

$$\cdots \longrightarrow HH_{n-1}(A, A[p^v]) \longrightarrow HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \longrightarrow HH_n(A, A/p^v A) \longrightarrow \cdots,$$

all of which are finitely generated. Hence we may base change by A/I^∞ , as in the Artin–Rees Theorem 1.1(ii), to obtain a long exact sequence of pro A -modules

$$\cdots \rightarrow HH_{n-1}(A, A[p^v]) \otimes_A A/I^\infty \rightarrow HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_A A/I^\infty \rightarrow HH_n(A, A/p^v A) \otimes_A A/I^\infty \rightarrow \cdots. \quad (1)$$

Replacing A by A/I^∞ , and using the isomorphisms of Corollary 1.4 with $M = A$, there is also a long exact sequence of pro A -modules

$$\cdots \rightarrow HH_{n-1}(A/I^\infty, A[p^v] \otimes_A A/I^\infty) \rightarrow HH_n(A/I^\infty; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \rightarrow HH_n(A/I^\infty, A/p^v A \otimes_A A/I^\infty) \rightarrow \cdots. \quad (2)$$

The obvious map from (1) to (2) induces an isomorphism on all the terms with coefficients in $A[p^v]$ and $A/p^v A$, by Theorem 3.6 and Lemma 4.2, hence also induces an isomorphism on the $\mathbb{Z}/p^v \mathbb{Z}$ terms, as desired.

(ii): If $r = 1$ then the claim is that the canonical map $\{THH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s \rightarrow \{THH_n(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s$ is an isomorphism; the proof of this is verbatim equivalent to part (i). So now assume $r > 1$ and proceed by induction.

We may compare the fundamental long exact sequences with finite coefficients for both A and A/I^s as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \cdots & \longrightarrow & \pi_n(THH(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)_{hC_{p^r}}) & \longrightarrow & TR_n^{r+1}(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) & \longrightarrow & TR_n^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \longrightarrow \cdots \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \cdots & \longrightarrow & \pi_n(THH(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)_{hC_{p^r}}) & \longrightarrow & TR_n^{r+1}(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) & \longrightarrow & TR_n^r(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \longrightarrow \cdots \end{array}$$

As we saw in the proof of Theorem 3.7(ii), the top row consists of finitely generated $W_{r+1}(A)$ -modules; so by Theorem 2.7(i), it remains exact after base changing by the pro $W_{r+1}(A)$ -algebra $W_{r+1}(A/I^\infty)$. Simultaneously assembling the bottom row into pro $W_{r+1}(A)$ -modules therefore yields a map of long exact sequences of pro $W_{r+1}(A)$ -modules (note that we have rotated the diagram for the sake of space):

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \vdots & & \vdots \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \{TR_n^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_{W_{r+1}(A)} W_{r+1}(A/I^s)\}_s & \longrightarrow & \{TR_n^r(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \{TR_n^{r+1}(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_{W_{r+1}(A)} W_{r+1}(A/I^s)\}_s & \longrightarrow & \{TR_n^{r+1}(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \{\pi_n(THH(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)_{hC_{p^r}}) \otimes_{W_{r+1}(A)} W_{r+1}(A/I^s)\}_s & \longrightarrow & \{\pi_n(THH(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)_{hC_{p^r}})\}_s \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \vdots & & \vdots \end{array}$$

By the five lemma and inductive hypothesis, it is enough to prove that the bottom horizontal arrow in the diagram, namely

$$\pi_n(\mathrm{THH}(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)_{hC_{p^r}}) \otimes_{W_{r+1}(A)} W_{r+1}(A/I^\infty) \longrightarrow \pi_n(\mathrm{THH}(A/I^\infty; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)_{hC_{p^r}}),$$

is an isomorphism for all $n \geq 0$. Both sides are the abutment of natural group homology spectral sequences, so it is enough to check that the map of spectral sequence is an isomorphism on the second page, namely that the canonical map

$$H_i(C_{p^r}, \mathrm{THH}_j(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) \otimes_{W_{r+1}(A)} W_{r+1}(A/I^\infty) \longrightarrow H_i(C_{p^r}, \mathrm{THH}_j(A/I^\infty; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) \quad (\dagger)$$

is an isomorphism for all $i, j \geq 0$. Since $H_i(C_{p^r}, \mathrm{THH}_j(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v))$ is a finitely generated A -module, the left side of (\dagger) is precisely $H_i(C_{p^r}, \mathrm{THH}_j(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) \otimes_A A/I^\infty$ by Theorem 2.7(ii); meanwhile, the right side is $H_i(C_{p^r}, \mathrm{THH}_j(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_A A/I^\infty)$ by part (ii).

Therefore it is now enough to prove that the map

$$H_i(C_{p^r}, \mathrm{THH}_j(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) \otimes_A A/I^\infty \longrightarrow H_i(C_{p^r}, \mathrm{THH}_j(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_A A/I^\infty)$$

is an isomorphism; this follows from the finite generation of $\mathrm{THH}_j(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ and Corollary 1.3. \square

From the previous degree-wise continuity theorem we obtain a description of the relationship between HH , THH , and TR^r of A and its I -adic completion $\widehat{A} = \varprojlim_s A/I^s$, proving Corollary 0.5 of the Introduction:

Corollary 4.4. *Let A be a Noetherian, F -finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, and $I \subseteq A$ an ideal; let \widehat{A} denote the I -adic completion of A . Then all of the following maps (not just the compositions) are isomorphisms for all $n \geq 0$ and $v, r \geq 1$:*

$$\begin{aligned} HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_A \widehat{A} &\longrightarrow HH_n(\widehat{A}; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s HH_n(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \\ TR_n^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(\widehat{A}) &\longrightarrow TR_n^r(\widehat{A}; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s TR_n^r(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \end{aligned}$$

Proof. We claim that each of the following canonical maps is an isomorphism:

$$HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_A \widehat{A} \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_A A/I^s \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s HH_n(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v).$$

Firstly, $HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ is a finitely generated A -module by Theorem 3.7, and A is Noetherian, so standard commutative algebra, e.g. [24, Thm. 8.7], implies that the first map is an isomorphism. Secondly, Theorem 4.3(i) implies that the second map is an isomorphism.

However, Lemma 2.8 implies that \widehat{A} is also a Noetherian, F -finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, so applying the same argument to \widehat{A} with respect to the ideal $I\widehat{A}$ we obtain another composition of isomorphisms

$$HH_n(\widehat{A}; \mathbb{Z}/p^v \mathbb{Z}) \otimes_{\widehat{A}} \widehat{A} \longrightarrow HH_n(\widehat{A}; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_{\widehat{A}} \widehat{A}/I^s \widehat{A} \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s HH_n(\widehat{A}/I^s \widehat{A}; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$$

Since $\widehat{A}/I^s \widehat{A} \cong A/I^s$ and $HH_n(\widehat{A}) \otimes_{\widehat{A}} \widehat{A} \cong HH_n(\widehat{A})$, the desired isomorphisms for HH follow.

The proofs of the isomorphisms for TR^r are exactly the same as for HH , except that for TR^r one must also note that $W_r(A)$ is Noetherian by Langer–Zink (Theorem 2.6) and use Lemma 2.3. \square

Whereas the previous two continuity results have concerned individual groups, we now prove the spectral continuity of THH , TR^r , etc. under our usual hypotheses; this establishes Theorem 0.6 of the Introduction:

Theorem 4.5. *Let A be a Noetherian, F -finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, and $I \subseteq A$ an ideal; assume that A is I -adically complete. Then, for all $1 \leq r \leq \infty$, the following canonical maps of spectra are weak equivalences after p -completion:*

$$\begin{aligned} TR^r(A; p) &\longrightarrow \operatorname{holim}_s TR^r(A/I^s; p) \\ TC^r(A; p) &\longrightarrow \operatorname{holim}_s TC^r(A/I^s; p) \end{aligned}$$

Proof. We must prove that each of the given maps of spectra is a weak equivalence with $\mathbb{Z}/p^v\mathbb{Z}$ -coefficients for all $v \geq 1$. Firstly, fixing $1 \leq r < \infty$, the homotopy groups of $\operatorname{holim}_s TR^r(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ fit into short exact sequences

$$0 \rightarrow \varprojlim_s^1 TR_{n+1}^r(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \rightarrow \pi_n(\operatorname{holim}_s TR^r(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) \rightarrow \varprojlim_s TR_n^r(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \rightarrow 0.$$

Theorem 4.3(i) implies that the left-most term is $\varprojlim_s^1 TR_{n+1}^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(A/I^s)$, which vanishes because of the surjectivity of the transition maps in the pro abelian group $\{TR_{n+1}^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(A/I^s)\}_s$. In conclusion, the natural map

$$\pi_n(\operatorname{holim}_s TR^r(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s TR_n^r(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$$

is an isomorphism for all $n \geq 0$. But since A is already I -adically complete, Corollary 4.4 states that $TR_n^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \rightarrow \varprojlim_s TR_n^r(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ is also an isomorphism for all $n \geq 0$. So the map $TR^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \rightarrow \operatorname{holim}_s TR^r(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ induces an isomorphism on all homotopy groups, as required to prove the first weak equivalence.

The claims for TC^r , $TR^\infty = TR$, and $TC^\infty = TC$ then follow since homotopy limits commute. \square

In the remainder of this section we consider straightforward consequences of the previous three results in special situations. We begin with the case in which p is nilpotent in A :

Corollary 4.6. *Let A be a Noetherian, F -finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, and $I \subseteq A$ an ideal; assume that p is nilpotent in A , and let \widehat{A} denote the I -adic completion of A . Then all of the following maps (not just the compositions) are isomorphisms for all $n \geq 0$, $r \geq 1$:*

$$\begin{aligned} \{HH_n(A) \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s &\longrightarrow \{HH_n(A/I^s)\}_s \\ \{TR_n^r(A; p) \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(A/I^s)\}_s &\longrightarrow \{TR_n^r(A/I^s; p)\}_s \\ HH_n(A) \otimes_A \widehat{A} &\longrightarrow HH_n(\widehat{A}) \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s HH_n(A/I^s) \\ TR_n^r(A; p) \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(\widehat{A}) &\longrightarrow TR_n^r(\widehat{A}; p) \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s TR_n^r(A/I^s; p) \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, the maps of spectra in the statement of Theorem 4.5 are weak equivalences without p -completing.

Proof. Note that p is also nilpotent in $W_r(A)$, by Lemma 2.9(ii). So, fixing $r \geq 1$, we may pick $v \gg 0$ such that the groups

$$HH_n(A), HH_n(A/I^s), THH_n(A), THH(A/I^s), TR_n^r(A; p), TR_n^r(A/I^s; p)$$

are annihilated by p^v for all $n \geq 0, s \geq 1$. Hence the spectra appearing in Theorem 4.5 are all p -complete, and the isomorphisms follow from Theorem 4.3 and Corollary 4.4 by examining the short exact sequences for homotopy groups with finite coefficients, in the usual way. \square

Remark 4.7. Some of the statements of Corollary 4.6 hold for rings other than Noetherian, F-finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebras in which p is nilpotent. In particular, if A is a Noetherian ring which is AQ-finite over \mathbb{Z} (e.g., an essentially finite type \mathbb{Z} -algebra) and $I \subseteq A$ is an ideal, then the pro HH and $THH = TR^1$ isomorphisms of Corollary 4.6 hold; indeed, this follows immediately from Lemma 4.2 with $m = 0$ and $M = A$.

Suppose now, in addition to being Noetherian and AQ-finite, that A is an F-finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra (e.g., an essentially finite type $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra). Then the pro TR^r isomorphisms of Corollary 4.6 hold: this is proved by verbatim repeating the proof of Theorem 4.3(ii) integrally instead of with finite coefficients.

Now, in stark contrast with the case in which p is nilpotent, we consider the case where $I = pA$; here our methods yield a new proof, albeit under different hypotheses, of a result of Geisser and Hesselholt, as we will discuss in Remark 4.9:

Corollary 4.8. *Let A be a Noetherian, F-finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra. Then the following canonical maps are isomorphisms for all $n \geq 0$ and $v, r \geq 1$:*

$$HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \longrightarrow \{HH_n(A/p^s A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s$$

$$TR_n^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \longrightarrow \{TR_n^r(A/p^s A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s$$

$$TC_n^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \longrightarrow \{TC_n^r(A/p^s A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s$$

Moreover, for $1 \leq r \leq \infty$, all of the following maps (not just the compositions) of spectra are weak equivalences after p -completion:

$$TR^r(A; p) \longrightarrow TR^r(\widehat{A}_p; p) \longrightarrow \text{holim}_s TR^r(A/p^s A; p),$$

$$TC^r(A; p) \longrightarrow TC^r(\widehat{A}_p; p) \longrightarrow \text{holim}_s TC^r(A/p^s A; p).$$

Proof. The groups $HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ and $TR_n^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ are annihilated by p^v . Since we proved in Lemma 2.4 that $p^v W_r(A)$ contains $W_r(p^s A)$ for $s \gg 0$, we deduce that

$$\{HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_A A/p^s A\}_s = HH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v),$$

$$\{TR_n^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(A/p^s A)\}_s = TR_n^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v).$$

Hence the desired pro HH and TR^r isomorphisms follow from Theorem 4.3. The pro TC isomorphism then follows in the usual way by applying the five lemma to the long exact sequence relating TC^r , TR^r , and TR^{r-1} .

Since \widehat{A}_p is also a Noetherian, F-finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra by Lemma 2.8, and since $\widehat{A}_p/p^s \widehat{A}_p \cong A/p^s A$, applying isomorphism (ii) to both A and \widehat{A}_p yields

$$TR_n^r(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \cong \{TR_n^r(A/p^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s \cong TR_n^r(\widehat{A}_p; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$$

for any integer $r \geq 1$. This proves that $TR^r(A; p)_p^\wedge \simeq TR^r(\widehat{A}_p; p)_p^\wedge$; the same follows for TC^r , TR and TC by taking homotopy limits.

The second column of maps between spectra are weak equivalences after p -completing by Theorem 4.5. \square

Remark 4.9. The isomorphisms of Corollary 4.8 were proved by Geisser and Hesselholt [10, §3] for any (possibly non-commutative) ring A in which p is a non-zero divisor. The key assertion is the pro THH isomorphism, namely

$$THH_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \xrightarrow{\simeq} \{THH_n(A/p^s A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s,$$

as they have a short argument to deduce the corresponding TR^r isomorphism from this by induction.

This THH isomorphism can also be proved using our methods as follows: mimicking the proof of Lemma 4.2 via Proposition 4.1 and the Artin–Rees vanishing result $\{\mathrm{Tor}_n^A(A/I^s, A/I^s)\}_s = 0$, it is enough to show that

$$\{\mathrm{Tor}_n^A(A/p^s A, A/p^s A)\}_s = 0$$

for all $n > 0$ whenever p is a non-zero divisor of a possibly non-commutative ring A . But in such a situation we may calculate Tor using the projective resolution $0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{\times p^s} A \rightarrow A/p^s A \rightarrow 0$ of $A/p^s A$, and from this calculation it easily follows that the map

$$\mathrm{Tor}_1^A(A/p^{2s} A, A/p^{2s} A) \longrightarrow \mathrm{Tor}_1^A(A/p^s A, A/p^s A)$$

is zero, as required.

4.3 The pro Hochschild–Kostant–Rosenberg theorems

Given a geometrically regular (e.g., smooth) morphism $k \rightarrow A$ of Noetherian rings, the classical Hochschild–Kostant–Rosenberg theorem [23, Thm. 3.4.4] states that the anti-symmetrisation map $\Omega_{A/k}^n \rightarrow HH_n^k(A)$ is an isomorphism of A -modules for all $n \geq 0$.

Remark 4.10. Since the notion of a geometrically regular morphism may not be familiar to all readers, here we offer a brief explanation. A good reference is R. Swan’s exposition of Neron–Popescu desingularisation [38].

If k is a field, then a Noetherian k -algebra A is said to be *geometrically regular* over k , or that $k \rightarrow A$ is a geometrically regular morphism, if and only if $A \otimes_k k'$ is a regular ring for all finite field extensions k'/k . If k is perfect then this is equivalent to A being a regular ring, which is equivalent to A being smooth over k if we moreover assume that A is essentially of finite type over k . If k is no longer necessarily a field, then $k \rightarrow A$ is said to be geometrically regular if and only if it is flat and $k(\mathfrak{p}) \rightarrow R \otimes_k k(\mathfrak{p})$ is geometrically regular in the previous sense for all prime ideals $\mathfrak{p} \subseteq k$, where $k(\mathfrak{p}) = k_{\mathfrak{p}}/\mathfrak{p}k_{\mathfrak{p}}$.

The Neron–Popescu desingularisation theorem [30, 31] states that if A is a k -algebra, with both rings Noetherian, then A is geometrically regular over k if and only if it is a filtered colimit of smooth, finite-type k -algebras.

The following establishes the pro Hochschild–Kostant–Rosenberg theorem for algebraic Hochschild homology in full generality:

Theorem 4.11 (Pro HKR theorem for Hochschild homology). *Let $k \rightarrow A$ be a geometrically regular morphism of Noetherian rings, and $I \subseteq A$ an ideal. Then the canonical map of pro A -modules*

$$\{\Omega_{(A/I^s)/k}^n\}_s \longrightarrow \{HH_n^k(A/I^s)\}_s$$

is an isomorphism for all $n \geq 0$.

Proof. Consider the following commutative diagram of pro A -modules, in which the vertical arrows are the antisymmetrisation maps:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \{A/I^s \otimes_A HH_n^k(A)\}_s & \xrightarrow{(1)} & \{HH_n^k(A, A/I^s)\}_s & \xrightarrow{(2)} & \{HH_n^k(A/I^s)\}_s \\ \uparrow & & & & \uparrow \\ \{A/I^s \otimes_A \Omega_{A/k}^n\}_s & \xrightarrow{(3)} & & & \{\Omega_{(A/I^s)/k}^n\}_s \end{array}$$

As recalled above, the classical HKR theorem implies that the antisymmetrization map $\Omega_{A/k}^j \rightarrow HH_j^k(A)$ is an isomorphism for all $j \geq 0$. So the left vertical arrow is an isomorphism. Moreover, Neron–Popescu desingularisation implies that A is a filtered colimit of smooth, finite type k -algebras, and so $\Omega_{A/k}^j \cong HH_j^k(A)$ is a filtered colimit of free A -modules, hence is a flat A -module.

For any A -module M , the universal coefficient spectral sequence $\mathrm{Tor}_i^A(M, HH_j^k(A)) \Rightarrow HH_{i+j}(A, M)$ therefore collapses to edge map isomorphisms $M \otimes_A \Omega_{A/k}^n \xrightarrow{\cong} HH_n^k(A, M)$. In particular, taking $M = A/I^s$ shows that arrow (1) is an isomorphism.

Next, Lemma 4.2(i) states that arrow (2) is an isomorphism (to be precise, Lemma 4.2(i) was stated only for the ground ring \mathbb{Z} , but the proof worked verbatim for any ground ring k). Finally, arrow (3) is easily seen to be an isomorphism using the inclusion $d(I^{2s}) \subseteq I^s \Omega_{A/k}^n$.

It follows that the right vertical arrow is also an isomorphism, as desired. \square

Corollary 4.12 (Pro HKR Theorem for cyclic homology). *Let $k \rightarrow A$ be a geometrically regular morphism of Noetherian rings, and $I \subseteq A$ an ideal. Then there is a natural spectral sequence of pro k -modules*

$$E_{pq}^2 = \begin{cases} \{\Omega_{(A/I^s)/k}^n / d\Omega_{(A/I^s)/k}^{n-1}\}_s & p = 0 \\ \{H_{dR}^{q-p}((A/I^s)/k)\}_s & p > 0 \end{cases} \implies \{HC_{p+q}^k(A/I^s)\}_s.$$

If k contains \mathbb{Q} then this degenerates with naturally split filtration, yielding

$$\{HC_n^k(A/I^s)\}_s \cong \{\Omega_{(A/I^s)/k}^n / d\Omega_{(A/I^s)/k}^{n-1}\}_s \oplus \bigoplus_{0 \leq p < \frac{n}{2}} \{H_{dR}^{n-2p}((A/I^s)/k)\}_s.$$

Proof. This follows by combining Theorem 4.11 with standard arguments in cyclic homology. \square

Remark 4.13. In the special case of certain finite type algebras over fields, the pro HKR theorem for algebraic Hochschild homology was established by G. Cortiñas, C. Haesemeyer, and C. Weibel [5, Thm. 3.2]. This full version of the pro HKR theorem has recently been required in the study of infinitesimal deformations of algebraic cycles [2, 26].

Next we turn to topological Hochschild homology, for which we must first briefly review the de Rham–Witt complex. Given an \mathbb{F}_p -algebra A , the existence and theory of the p -typical de Rham–Witt complex $W_r\Omega_A^\bullet$, which is a pro differential graded $W(A)$ -algebra, is due to S. Bloch, P. Deligne, and L. Illusie; see especially [18, Def. I.1.4]. It was later extended by Hesselholt and Madsen to $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebras with p odd, and finally by Hesselholt in full generality; see the introduction to [14] for further discussion. We will only require the classical formulation for \mathbb{F}_p -algebras, with which we assume the reader has some familiarity.

We may now recall Hesselholt’s topological Hochschild homology analogue of the HKR theorem. Letting A be an \mathbb{F}_p -algebra, one knows that the pro graded ring $\{TR_\bullet^r(A; p)\}_r$ is a p -typical Witt complex with respect to its operators F, V, R ; by universality of the de Rham–Witt complex, there are therefore natural maps of graded $W_r(A)$ -algebras [15, Prop. 1.5.8]

$$W_r\Omega_A^\bullet \longrightarrow TR_\bullet^r(A; p)$$

for $r \geq 0$, which are compatible with the Frobenius, Verschiebung, and Restriction maps (in other words, a morphism of p -typical Witt complexes). Since there is also a natural map of graded $W_r(\mathbb{F}_p)$ -algebras $TR_\bullet^r(\mathbb{F}_p; p) \rightarrow TR_\bullet^r(A; p)$, we may tensor these algebra maps to obtain a natural morphism of graded $W_r(A)$ -algebras

$$W_r\Omega_A^\bullet \otimes_{W_r(\mathbb{F}_p)} TR_\bullet^r(\mathbb{F}_p; p) \rightarrow TR_\bullet^r(A; p). \quad (\dagger)$$

Hesselholt’s HKR theorem may be stated as follows:

Theorem 4.14 (Hesselholt [15, Thm. B]). *Suppose that the \mathbb{F}_p -algebra A is regular. Then (\dagger) is an isomorphism of graded $W_r(A)$ -algebras for all $r \geq 1$.*

Moreover, there are isomorphisms $W_r(\mathbb{F}_p)[\sigma_r] \cong TR_\bullet^r(\mathbb{F}_p; p)$ of graded $W_r(\mathbb{F}_p)$ -algebras, where the polynomial variable σ_r has degree 2, $F(\sigma_r) = \sigma_{r-1}$, $V(\sigma_r) = p\sigma_{r+1}$, and $R(\sigma_r) = p\lambda_r\sigma_{r-1}$ for some unit $\lambda_r \in W_r(\mathbb{F}_p)$.

We now prove the pro Hochschild–Kostant–Rosenberg theorem for THH and TR^r ; since infinite direct sums do not commute with the formation of pro-abelian groups, we must state it degree-wise:

Theorem 4.15 (Pro HKR Theorem for THH and TR^r). *Let A be a regular, F -finite \mathbb{F}_p -algebra, and $I \subseteq A$ an ideal. Then the canonical map*

$$\bigoplus_{i=0}^n \{W_r\Omega_{A/I^s}^i \otimes_{W_r(\mathbb{F}_p)} TR_{n-i}^r(\mathbb{F}_p; p)\}_s \longrightarrow \{TR_n^r(A/I^s; p)\}_s$$

of pro $W_r(A)$ -modules is an isomorphism for all $n \geq 0$, $r \geq 1$.

Proof. Consider the following commutative diagram of pro $W_r(A)$ -modules:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \bigoplus_{i=0}^n \{W_r(A/I^s) \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r\Omega_A^i \otimes_{W_r(\mathbb{F}_p)} TR_{n-i}^r(\mathbb{F}_p; p)\}_s & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \{W_r(A/I^s) \otimes_{W_r(A)} TR_n^r(A; p)\}_s \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \bigoplus_{i=0}^n \{W_r\Omega_{A/I^s}^i \otimes_{W_r(\mathbb{F}_p)} TR_{n-i}^r(\mathbb{F}_p; p)\}_s & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \{TR_n^r(A/I^s; p)\}_s \end{array}$$

Hesselholt’s HKR theorem implies that the top horizontal arrow is an isomorphism. Corollary 4.6 implies that the right vertical arrow is an isomorphism. Since we wish to establish

that the bottom horizontal arrow is an isomorphism, it is now enough to show that the left vertical arrow is an isomorphism, for which it suffices to prove that the canonical map

$$\{W_r(A/I^s) \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r\Omega_A^i\}_s \longrightarrow \{W_r\Omega_{A/I^s}^i\}_s \quad (\dagger)$$

of pro $W_s(A)$ -modules is an isomorphism for all $i \geq 0$. To show this, note that the maps in (\dagger) are surjective, so one needs only to show that the pro abelian group arising from the kernels is zero. This is an easy consequence of Lemma 2.1(iv) and the Leibnitz rule; see, e.g., [11, Prop. 2.5]. \square

Next we let $r \rightarrow \infty$ to prove the pro Hochschild–Kostant–Rosenberg theorem for TR , or more precisely for the pro spectrum $\{TR^r\}_r$. This takes the form of an isomorphism of *pro pro abelian groups*; that is, an isomorphism in the category $\text{Pro}(\text{Pro } Ab)$. Although this initially appears unusual, we believe it is necessary to state the result in its strongest form; however, we note that, by taking the diagonal in the result, we also obtain a weaker isomorphism of pro abelian groups $\{W_r\Omega_{A/I^r}^n\}_r \xrightarrow{\cong} \{TR_n^r(A/I^r; p)\}_r$.

Corollary 4.16 (Pro HKR Theorem for TR). *With notation as in the previous theorem, the canonical map of pro pro abelian groups*

$$\{\{W_r\Omega_{A/I^s}^n\}_s\}_r \longrightarrow \{\{TR_n^r(A/I^s; p)\}_s\}_r$$

is an isomorphism for all $n \geq 0$.

Proof. We stated as part of Hesselholt’s HKR theorem that the Restriction map acts on $TR_*^r(\mathbb{F}_p; p) \cong W_r(\mathbb{F}_p)[\sigma_r]$ by sending σ_r to $p\lambda_r\sigma_{r-1}$ for some $\lambda_r \in W_r(\mathbb{F}_p)^\times$. In particular, it follows that $R^r : TR_n^{2r}(\mathbb{F}_p; p) \rightarrow TR_n^r(\mathbb{F}_p; p)$ is zero for all $n, r \geq 1$. Thus the inverse system of pro abelian groups

$$\cdots \xrightarrow{R} \{W_{r+1}\Omega_{A/I^s}^i \otimes_{W_{r+1}(\mathbb{F}_p)} TR_{n-i}^{r+1}(\mathbb{F}_p; p)\}_s \xrightarrow{R} \{W_r\Omega_{A/I^s}^i \otimes_{W_r(\mathbb{F}_p)} TR_{n-i}^r(\mathbb{F}_p; p)\}_s \xrightarrow{R} \cdots$$

is trivial Mittag-Leffler unless $i = n$. So the isomorphisms of Theorem 4.15 assemble over $r \geq 1$ to the desired isomorphism. \square

5 PROPER SCHEMES OVER AN AFFINE BASE

In this section we extend the finite generation results of Section 3 and the continuity results of Section 4 to proper schemes over an affine base. The key idea is to combine the already-established results with Zariski descent and Grothendieck’s formal function theorem for coherent cohomology, which we will recall in Theorem 5.5 for convenience.

We first review the scheme-theoretic versions of THH , TR^r , etc. For a quasi-compact, quasi-separated scheme X , the spectra $THH(X)$, $TR^r(X; p)$, $TC^r(X; p)$, $TR(X; p)$, and $TC(X; p)$ were defined by Geisser and Hesselholt in [8] in such a way that all these presheaf of spectra satisfy Zariski descent (see the proof of [8, Corol. 3.3.3]). In particular, assuming that X has finite Krull dimension, there is a bounded spectral sequence

$$E_2^{ij} = H^i(X, \mathcal{T}\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_{-j}(X)) \implies THH_{-i-j}(X)$$

where the caligraphic notation $\mathcal{T}\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_n(X)$ denotes the sheafification of the Zariski presheaf on X given by $U \mapsto THH_n(\mathcal{O}_X(U))$; the same applies to $TR^r(-; p)$ and $TC^r(-; p)$, and we will always use caligraphic notation to denote such Zariski sheafifications, including when working with finite coefficients.

Moreover, the relations between the theories in the affine case explained in Section 1.3 continue to hold for schemes [8, Prop. 3.3.2], and analogous comments also apply to algebraic Hochschild homology, thanks to Weibel [41, 39].

We secondly recall the scheme-theoretic version of Witt vectors; further details may be found in the appendix of [22]. Given a ring A and an element $f \in A$, there is a natural isomorphism $W_r(A_f) \cong W_r(A)_{[f]}$ where $[f]$ is the Teichmüller lift of f ; this localisation result means that, for any scheme X , we may define a new scheme $W_r(X)$ by applying W_r locally. The restriction map $R^{r-1} : W_r(X) \rightarrow X$ induces a closed embedding of schemes $R^{r-1} : X \hookrightarrow W_r(X)$, which is an isomorphism of the underlying topological spaces if p is nilpotent on X . Particularly in the presence of F-finiteness (a $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -scheme is said to be F-finite if and only if it has a finite cover by spectra of F-finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebras), many properties of X are inherited by $W_r(X)$; see Prop. A.1 – Corol. A.7 of [22]:

- (i) X separated $\implies W_r(X)$ is separated.
- (ii) X Noetherian and F-finite $\implies W_r(X)$ is Noetherian.
- (iii) $X \rightarrow Y$ of finite type and Y F-finite $\implies X$ is F-finite and $W_r(X) \rightarrow W_r(Y)$ is of finite type.
- (iv) $X \rightarrow Y$ proper and Y F-finite $\implies W_r(X) \rightarrow W_r(Y)$ is proper.

Our first aim is to prove that the sheaves arising from HH , THH , and TR^r are quasi-coherent; this is a standard result for HH and THH , but we could not find a reference covering the TR^r sheaves. We note that the following lemma remains true when working with finite $\mathbb{Z}/p^v\mathbb{Z}$ -coefficients; this follows from the lemma as stated using the usual short exact sequences for finite coefficients.

Lemma 5.1. *Let X be a quasi-compact, quasi-separated scheme. Then:*

- (i) $\mathcal{H}H_n(X)$ and $\mathcal{T}H_n(X)$ are quasi-coherent sheaves on X for all $n \geq 0$.
- (ii) If X is moreover an F-finite, $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -scheme, then $R_*^{r-1}TR_n^r(X; p)$ is a quasi-coherent sheaf on $W_r(X)$ for all $n \geq 0$, $r \geq 1$.

Proof. Let $\text{Spec } R \subseteq X$ be any affine open subscheme of X ; we must show that for any $f \in R$, the canonical maps

$$\begin{aligned} HH_n(R) \otimes_R R_f &\rightarrow HH_n(R_f), \\ TR_n^r(R; p) \otimes_{W_r(R)} W_r(R_f) &\rightarrow TR_n^r(R_f; p), \end{aligned}$$

are isomorphisms for all $n \geq 0$, $r \geq 1$ (assuming in addition that R is an F-finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra in the case of TR_n^r , $r > 1$).

Firstly, R_f is flat over R , so the spectral sequence of Proposition 4.1 degenerates to edge map isomorphisms

$$HH_n(R, R_f) \xrightarrow{\cong} HH_n(R_f, R_f \otimes_R R_f).$$

But $R_f \otimes_R R_f = R_f$, and its flatness over R implies that $HH_n(R, R_f) = HH_n(R) \otimes_R R_f$; this proves the claim for HH .

The claim for $THH = TR^1$ can be proved either using the THH version of the spectral sequence of Proposition 4.1, or in a straightforward way using the Pirashvili–Waldhausen spectral sequence and the already-proved HH claim; we omit the details.

Finally, assuming that R is an F-finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, we must prove the claim for TR_n^r by induction on r ; we have just established the case $r = 1$. Since $W_r(R_f) = W_r(R)_{[f]}$ is flat over $W_r(R)$, we may base change by $W_{r+1}(R_f)$ the fundamental long exact sequence of Section 1.3.2(i) for $W_{r+1}(R)$, and compare it to the long exact sequence for R_f ; this yields the following diagram with exact columns:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \vdots & & \vdots \\
 \uparrow & & \uparrow \\
 TR_n^r(R; p) \otimes_{W_r(R)} W_r(R_f) & \longrightarrow & TR_n^r(R_f; p) \\
 \uparrow & & \uparrow \\
 TR_n^{r+1}(R; p) \otimes_{W_{r+1}(R)} W_{r+1}(R_f) & \longrightarrow & TR_n^{r+1}(R_f; p) \\
 \uparrow & & \uparrow \\
 \pi_n(\mathrm{THH}(R)_{hC_{p^r}}) \otimes_{W_{r+1}(R)} W_{r+1}(R_f) & \longrightarrow & \pi_n(\mathrm{THH}(R_f)_{hC_{p^r}}) \\
 \uparrow & & \uparrow \\
 \vdots & & \vdots
 \end{array}$$

By the five lemma and induction on r , it is sufficient to prove that the bottom horizontal arrow is an isomorphism. Moreover, the domain and codomain of this map are compatibly described by group homology spectral sequences, namely

$$H_i(C_{p^r}, \mathrm{THH}_j(R)) \otimes_{W_{r+1}(R)} W_{r+1}(R_f) \implies \pi_{i+j}(\mathrm{THH}(R)_{hC_{p^r}}) \otimes_{W_{r+1}(R)} W_{r+1}(R_f)$$

and

$$H_i(C_{p^r}, \mathrm{THH}_j(R_f)) \implies \pi_{i+j}(\mathrm{THH}(R_f)_{hC_{p^r}}),$$

so it is enough to prove that the canonical map

$$H_i(C_{p^r}, \mathrm{THH}_j(R)) \otimes_{W_{r+1}(R)} W_{r+1}(R_f) \longrightarrow H_i(C_{p^r}, \mathrm{THH}_j(R_f))$$

is an isomorphism for all $i, j \geq 0$ and $r \geq 1$. Since $W_{r+1}(R_f)$ is flat over $W_{r+1}(R)$, we may identify the left side with $H_i(C_{p^r}, \mathrm{THH}_j(R) \otimes_{W_{r+1}(R)} W_{r+1}(R_f))$, and so it remains only to show that the map $\mathrm{THH}_j(R) \otimes_{W_{r+1}(R)} W_{r+1}(R_f) \rightarrow \mathrm{THH}_j(R_f)$ is an isomorphism, where $W_{r+1}(R)$ is acting on $\mathrm{THH}_j(R)$ via $F^r : W_{r+1}(R) \rightarrow R$; but this follows from the fact that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 W_{r+1}(R) & \longrightarrow & W_{r+1}(R_f) \\
 F^r \downarrow & & \downarrow F^r \\
 R & \longrightarrow & R_f
 \end{array}$$

is cocartesian by [22, Lem. A.18] (this is where we require that R be an F-finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra). \square

As a consequence of the lemma and our earlier finite generation results, we therefore obtain the fundamental coherence results we will need:

Corollary 5.2. *Let A be a Noetherian, F-finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, X an essentially finite-type A -scheme, and $v \geq 1$. Then:*

- (i) $\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_n(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ and $\mathcal{T}\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_n(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ are coherent sheaves on X for all $n \geq 0$.
- (ii) $R_*^{r-1} \mathcal{T}\mathcal{R}_n^r(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ is a coherent sheaf on $W_r(X)$ for all $n \geq 0$, $r \geq 1$

Proof. The specified sheaves are quasi-coherent by the finite coefficient version of Lemma 5.1, so we must prove that if $\text{Spec } R$ is an affine open subscheme of X , then $HH_n(R; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ and $THH_n(R; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ are finitely generated R -modules, and that $TR_n^r(R; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ is a finitely generated $W_r(R)$ -module. But Lemma 2.8 implies that R is also a Noetherian, F-finite, $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, so this follows from Theorem 3.7. \square

We now obtain the generalisation to proper schemes of our earlier finite generation results:

Theorem 5.3. *Let A be a Noetherian, F-finite, finite Krull-dimensional $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, X a proper scheme over A , and $v \geq 1$. Then:*

- (i) $HH_n(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ and $THH_n(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ are finitely generated A -modules for all $n \geq 0$.
- (ii) $TR_n^r(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ is a finitely generated $W_r(A)$ -module for all $n \geq 0$, $r \geq 1$.

Proof. The coherence assertion of Corollary 5.2 and the properness of X over A implies that $H^i(X, \mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_n(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v))$ and $H^i(X, \mathcal{T}\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_n(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v))$ are finitely generated A -modules, and $H^i(X, \mathcal{T}\mathcal{R}_n^r(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v))$ is a finitely generated $W_r(X)$ -module, for all $i, n \geq 0$ and $r \geq 1$.

Since the presheaves of spectra $HH \wedge S/p^v$, $THH \wedge S/p^v$, and $TR^r(-; p) \wedge S/p^v$ satisfy Zariski descent by the results of Geisser–Hesselholt recalled at the start of the section, and since X has finite Krull dimension by assumption, there are right half-plane, bounded, Zariski descent spectral sequences (with differentials $E_r^{ij} \rightarrow E_r^{i+r, j-r+1}$)

$$E_2^{ij} = H^i(X, \mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_{-j}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) \implies HH_{-i-j}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v),$$

$$E_2^{ij} = H^i(X, \mathcal{T}\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_{-j}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) \implies THH_{-i-j}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v),$$

$$E_2^{ij} = H^i(X, \mathcal{T}\mathcal{R}_{-j}^r(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) \implies TR_{-i-j}^r(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v),$$

of modules over A , A , and $W_r(A)$ respectively. This evidently completes the proof. \square

By p -completing we obtain Theorem 0.10 of the Introduction:

Corollary 5.4. *Let A be a Noetherian, F-finite, finite Krull-dimensional $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, and X a proper scheme over A . Then:*

- (i) $HH_n(X; \mathbb{Z}_p)$ and $THH_n(X; \mathbb{Z}_p)$ are finitely generated \widehat{A}_p -modules for all $n \geq 0$.
- (ii) $TR_n^r(X; p, \mathbb{Z}_p)$ is a finitely generated $W_r(\widehat{A}_p)$ -module for all $n \geq 0$, $r \geq 1$.

Proof. This follows from Theorem 5.3 via Proposition A.1 in the appendix. \square

Next we generalise our degree-wise continuity result of Theorem 4.3 to the case of a proper scheme. To do this we will consider a proper scheme X over an affine base A , fix an ideal $I \subseteq X$, and always write $X_s := X \times_A A/I^s$. The following theorem of Grothendieck will be required:

Theorem 5.5 (Grothendieck's Formal Functions Theorem [12, Cor. 4.1.7]). *Let A be a Noetherian ring, $I \subseteq A$ an ideal, X a proper scheme over A , and N a coherent \mathcal{O}_X -module. Then the canonical map of pro A -modules*

$$\{H^n(X, N) \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s \xrightarrow{\cong} \{H^n(X_s, N/I^s N)\}_s$$

is an isomorphism for all $n \geq 0$.

Proof/Remark. In fact, Grothendieck's theorem is usually stated as the isomorphism $\varprojlim_s H^s(X, N) \otimes_A A/I^s \xrightarrow{\cong} \varprojlim_s H^s(X_s, N/I^s N)$, but a quick examination of the proof in EGA shows that the stronger isomorphism of pro A -modules holds. \square

Combining Grothendieck's formal function theorem with the already-established degree-wise continuity results proves the following formal function theorems for HH , THH , and TR^r :

Theorem 5.6. *Let A be a Noetherian, F -finite, finite Krull-dimensional $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, $I \subseteq A$ an ideal, X a proper scheme over A , and $v \geq 1$. Then the canonical maps*

$$\begin{aligned} (i) \quad & \{HH_n(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s \longrightarrow \{HH_n(X_s, \mathbb{Z}/p^v \mathbb{Z})\}_s \\ (ii) \quad & \{TR_n^r(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(A/I^s)\}_s \longrightarrow \{TR_n^r(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s \end{aligned}$$

are isomorphisms for all $n \geq 0$, $r \geq 1$.

Proof. (i): Exactly as in the proof of Theorem 5.3, there is a bounded Zariski descent spectral sequence of finitely generated A -modules

$$E_2^{ij} = H^i(X, \mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_{-j}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) \implies HH_{-i-j}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v).$$

By Theorem 1.1(ii), we may base change by A/I^∞ to obtain a bounded spectral sequence of pro A -modules

$$E_2^{ij}(\infty) = \{H^i(X, \mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_{-j}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s \implies \{HH_{-i-j}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s.$$

There is also a bounded Zariski descent spectral sequence for HH associated to each scheme $X_s = X \times_A A/I^s$, for $s \geq 1$, and these also assemble to a spectral sequence of pro A -modules

$${}'E_2^{ij}(\infty) = \{H^i(X_s, \mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_{-j}(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v))\}_s \implies \{HH_{-i-j}(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s.$$

These two spectral sequences are compatible in that the $E(\infty)$ spectral sequence maps to the $'E(\infty)$ spectral sequence, and so to complete the proof it is enough to show that the canonical map of pro A -modules on the second pages

$$\{H^i(X, \mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_{-j}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s \longrightarrow \{H^i(X_s, \mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_{-j}(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v))\}_s$$

is an isomorphism for all $i, j \geq 0$. But this map factors as the composition

$$\begin{aligned} & \{H^i(X, \mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_{-j}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s \\ & \longrightarrow \{H^i(X, \mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_{-j}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{O}_X/I^s \mathcal{O}_X)\}_s \\ & \longrightarrow \{H^i(X_s, \mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_{-j}(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v))\}_s, \end{aligned}$$

where the first arrow is an isomorphism by Grothendieck's formal functions theorem and Corollary 5.2, and the second arrow is an isomorphism because the map of pro sheaves $\{\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_{-j}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{O}_X/I^s \mathcal{O}_X\}_s \rightarrow \{\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_{-j}(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s$ is an isomorphism by Theorem 4.3, since all the affine open subschemes of X are Noetherian, F -finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebras, by Lemma 2.8.

(ii): The proof is very similar to that of part (i), just requiring some additional care when applying Grothendieck's formal functions theorem. Firstly, as in the proof of Theorem 5.3, there is a bounded Zariski descent spectral sequence of finitely generated $W_r(A)$ -modules

$$F_2^{ij} = H^i(X, \mathcal{TR}_{-j}^r(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) \implies TR_{-i-j}^r(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v).$$

By Theorem 2.7(i), we may base change by $W_r(A/I^\infty)$ to obtain a bounded spectral sequence of pro $W_r(A)$ -modules

$$F_2^{ij}(\infty) = \{H^i(X, \mathcal{TR}_{-j}^r(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(A/I^s)\}_s \implies \{TR_{-i-j}^r(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(A/I^s)\}_s.$$

There is also a bounded Zariski descent spectral sequence for TR^r associated to each scheme X_s , for $s \geq 1$, and these assemble to a spectral sequence of pro $W_r(A)$ -modules

$$'F_2^{ij}(\infty) = \{H^i(X_s, \mathcal{TR}_{-j}^r(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v))\}_s \implies \{TR_{-i-j}^r(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s.$$

The $F(\infty)$ -spectral sequence maps to the $'F(\infty)$ -spectral sequence, and so to complete the proof it is enough to show that the canonical map of pro $W_r(A)$ -modules on the second pages

$$\{H^i(X, \mathcal{TR}_{-j}^r(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(A/I^s)\}_s \longrightarrow \{H^i(X_s, \mathcal{TR}_{-j}^r(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v))\}_s, \quad (\dagger)$$

is an isomorphism for all $i \geq 0$.

To do this we first transfer the problem to the scheme $W_r(X)$ by rewriting

$$H^i(X, \mathcal{TR}_{-j}^r(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) = H^i(W_r(X), R_*^{r-1} \mathcal{TR}_{-j}^r(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v))$$

and

$$H^i(X_s, \mathcal{TR}_{-j}^r(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) = H^i(W_r(X_s), R_*^{r-1} \mathcal{TR}_{-j}^r(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v))$$

since the cohomology of a sheaf is unchanged after pushing forward along a closed embedding [13, Lem. III.2.10]. We can now apply the same argument as in the part (i), by factoring (\dagger) as a composition

$$\begin{aligned} & \{H^i(W_r(X), R_*^{r-1} \mathcal{TR}_{-j}^r(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v))\}_s \\ & \longrightarrow \{H^i(W_r(X), R_*^{r-1} \mathcal{TR}_{-j}^r(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_{W_r(\mathcal{O}_X)} W_r(\mathcal{O}_X/I^s \mathcal{O}_X))\}_s \\ & \longrightarrow \{H^i(W_r(X_s), R_*^{r-1} \mathcal{TR}_{-j}^r(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v))\}_s. \end{aligned}$$

Since $W_r(X)$ is a proper scheme over $W_r(A)$, we may apply Grothendieck's formal functions theorem to the coherent (by Corollary 5.2) sheaf $R_*^{r-1} \mathcal{TR}_{-j}^r(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ and ideal $W_r(I) \subseteq W_r(A)$ (whose powers are intertwined with $W_r(I^s)$, $s \geq 1$, by Lemma 2.1) to deduce that the first arrow is an isomorphism. The second arrow is an isomorphism for the same reason as in part (i): the underlying map of pro sheaves is an isomorphism by Theorem 4.3. \square

The following is the scheme-theoretic analogue of Corollary 4.4:

Corollary 5.7. *Let A be a Noetherian, F -finite, finite Krull-dimensional $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, $I \subseteq A$ an ideal, and X a proper scheme over A . Then all of the following maps (not just the compositions) are isomorphisms for all $n \geq 0$ and $v, r \geq 1$:*

$$\begin{aligned} HH_n(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_A \widehat{A} &\longrightarrow HH_n(X \times_A \widehat{A}; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s HH_n(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \\ TR^r(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(\widehat{A}) &\longrightarrow TR^r(X \times_A \widehat{A}; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s TR^r(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \end{aligned}$$

Proof. The proof is almost identical to that of Corollary 4.4. Indeed, exactly as in that proof, we consider the canonical maps

$$HH_n(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_A \widehat{A} \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s HH_n(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_A A/I^s \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s HH_n(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v),$$

where the first arrow is an isomorphism by Theorem 5.3 and standard commutative algebra, and the second arrow is an isomorphism by Theorem 5.6. Then, replacing A by \widehat{A} , we see that the canonical maps

$$HH_n(X \times_A \widehat{A}; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s HH_n(X \times_A \widehat{A}; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_{\widehat{A}} A/I^s A \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s HH_n(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$$

are also isomorphisms. This proves the claim for HH , and the proof for TR^r is identical. \square

We finally reach the scheme-theoretic analogue of Theorem 4.5, namely spectral continuity of THH , TR^r , etc.:

Theorem 5.8. *Let A be a Noetherian, F -finite, finite Krull-dimensional $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, $I \subseteq A$ an ideal, and X be a proper scheme over A ; assume that A is I -adically complete. Then, for all $1 \leq r \leq \infty$, the following canonical maps of spectra are all weak equivalences after p -completion:*

$$\begin{aligned} TR^r(X; p) &\longrightarrow \operatorname{holim}_s TR^r(X_s; p) \\ TC^r(X; p) &\longrightarrow \operatorname{holim}_s TC^r(X_s; p) \end{aligned}$$

Proof. The proof is identical to that of Theorem 4.5. Indeed, fixing $1 \leq r < \infty$, the homotopy groups of $\operatorname{holim}_s TR^r(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ fit into short exact sequences

$$0 \rightarrow \varprojlim_s^1 TR_{n+1}^r(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \rightarrow \pi_n(\operatorname{holim}_s TR^r(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) \rightarrow \varprojlim_s TR_n^r(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \rightarrow 0,$$

and Theorem 5.6(i) implies that $\varprojlim_s^1 TR_{n+1}^r(X_s) \cong \varprojlim_s^1 TR_{n+1}^r(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \otimes_A A/I^s$, which vanishes because of the surjectivity of the transition maps in the latter pro abelian group. In conclusion, the natural map

$$\pi_n(\operatorname{holim}_s TR^r(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)) \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s TR_n^r(A/I^s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$$

is an isomorphism for all $n \geq 0$. But since A is already I -adically complete, Corollary 5.7 states that $TR_n^r(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \rightarrow \varprojlim_s TR_n^r(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ is also an isomorphism for all $n \geq 0$. So the map $TR^r(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) \rightarrow \operatorname{holim}_s TR^r(X_s; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)$ induces an isomorphism on all homotopy groups, as required to prove the first weak equivalence.

The claims for TC^r , $TR^\infty = TR$, and $TC^\infty = TC$ then follow since homotopy limits commute. \square

As in the affine case, we now present corollaries of the previous results in the cases in which p is either nilpotent or the generator of I ; we begin with the nilpotent case:

Corollary 5.9. *Let A be a Noetherian, F -finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, X a proper scheme over A , and $n \geq 0$, $r \geq 1$; assume p is nilpotent in A . Then:*

- (i) $HH_n(X)$ and $THH_n(X)$ are finitely generated A -modules.
- (ii) $TR_n^r(X; p)$ is a finitely generated $W_r(A)$ -module.

Now let $I \subseteq A$ be an ideal. Then all of the following maps are isomorphisms for all $n \geq 0$, $r \geq 1$:

$$\begin{aligned} \{HH_n(X) \otimes_A A/I^s\}_s &\longrightarrow \{HH_n(X_s)\}_s, \\ \{TR_n^r(X; p) \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(A/I^s)\}_s &\longrightarrow \{TR_n^r(X_s; p)\}_s, \\ HH_n(X) \otimes_A \widehat{A} &\longrightarrow HH_n(X \times_A \widehat{A}) \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s HH_n(X_s), \\ TR_n^r(X; p) \otimes_{W_r(A)} W_r(\widehat{A}) &\longrightarrow TR_n^r(X \times_A \widehat{A}; p) \longrightarrow \varprojlim_s TR_n^r(X_s; p). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, the maps of spectra in the statement of Theorem 5.8 are weak equivalences without p -completing.

Proof. As in the proof of Corollary 4.6, the groups $HH_n(A)$, $THH_n(A)$, and $TR_n^r(A; p)$ are all bounded p -torsion. Hence the spectra are p -complete, and our finite generation and isomorphism claims follow from the already established versions with finite coefficients, namely Theorems 5.3 and 5.6, and Corollary 5.7.

Note that we have not assumed that A has finite Krull dimension. This is because a Noetherian, F -finite $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra in which p is nilpotent automatically has finite Krull dimension: indeed, it suffices to show that A/pA has finite Krull dimension, and this follows from a theorem of E. Kunz [21, Prop. 1.1]. \square

Next we consider the special case $I = pA$:

Corollary 5.10. *Let A be a Noetherian, F -finite, finite Krull-dimensional $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, X a proper scheme over A , and $v \geq 1$. Then the following canonical maps are isomorphisms for all $n \geq 0$, $r \geq 1$:*

$$\begin{aligned} HH_n(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) &\longrightarrow \{HH_n(X \times_A A/p^s A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s \\ TR_n^r(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) &\longrightarrow \{TR_n^r(X \times_A A/p^s A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s \\ TC_n^r(X; \mathbb{Z}/p^v) &\longrightarrow \{TC_n^r(X \times_A A/p^s A; \mathbb{Z}/p^v)\}_s \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, for all $1 \leq r \leq \infty$, all of the following maps (not just the compositions) of spectra are weak equivalences after p -completion:

$$\begin{aligned} TR^r(X; p) &\longrightarrow TR^r(X \times_A \widehat{A}_p; p) \longrightarrow \text{holim}_s TR^r(X \times_A A/p^s A; p) \\ TC^r(X; p) &\longrightarrow TC^r(X \times_A \widehat{A}_p; p) \longrightarrow \text{holim}_s TC^r(X \times_A A/p^s A; p) \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Taking $I = pA$, these claims are proved from Theorem 5.6 by the exact same argument by which Corollary 4.8 was deduced from Theorem 4.3. \square

For the sake of reference we also explicitly mention the following corollary of our results, as it will be used in forthcoming applications to the deformation theory of algebraic cycles in characteristic p :

Corollary 5.11. *Let A be a Noetherian, F -finite, finite Krull-dimensional $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra, $I \subseteq A$ an ideal, and X be a proper scheme over A ; assume that A is I -adically complete. The trace map from K -theory to topological cyclic homology yields a homotopy cartesian square of spectra:*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathrm{holim}_s K(X \times_A A/I^s)_p^\wedge & \longrightarrow & K(X \times_A A/I)_p^\wedge \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ TC(X; p)_p^\wedge & \longrightarrow & TC(X \times_A A/I; p)_p^\wedge \end{array}$$

Proof. The scheme-theoretic version (which follows from the affine version using Geisser–Hesselholt’s Zariski descent [8]) of R. McCarthy’s trace map isomorphism for nilpotent ideals [25] [7, Thm. VII.0.0.2] states that, for any $s \geq 1$, the following diagram becomes homotopy cartesian after p -completion:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} K(X \times_A A/I^s) & \longrightarrow & K(X \times_A A/I) \\ \downarrow \mathrm{tr} & & \downarrow \mathrm{tr} \\ TC(X \times_A A/I^s; p) & \longrightarrow & TC(X \times_A A/I; p) \end{array}$$

The corollary follows by taking holim_s , and applying Theorem 5.8 to the bottom left entry. \square

A FINITE GENERATION OF p -COMPLETIONS

In this appendix we explain how our finite generation results with finite coefficients lead to similar finite generation statements after p -completing. We claim no originality for these results, but could not find such algebraic statements summarised in the literature.

Our main goal is the following:

Proposition A.1. *Let A be a commutative, Noetherian ring, and p a prime number.*

- (i) *Suppose R_\bullet is a simplicial ring and that $A \rightarrow \pi_0(R_\bullet)$ is a ring homomorphism such that the homotopy groups of $R \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}}^L \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ are finitely generated A -modules; then $\pi_n(R_\bullet; \mathbb{Z}_p)$ is naturally a finitely generated A_p^\wedge -module for all $n \geq 0$.*
- (ii) *Suppose X is a connective ring spectrum and that $A \rightarrow \pi_0(R_\bullet)$ is a ring homomorphism such that the homotopy groups of $X \wedge S/p$ are finitely generated A -modules; then $\pi_n(M_\bullet; \mathbb{Z}_p)$ is naturally a finitely generated A_p^\wedge -module for all $n \geq 0$.*

The proof of the proposition will be obtained through several algebraic lemmas. We first recall that that homotopy groups of a p -completion fit into a short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathrm{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, \pi_n(-)) \longrightarrow \pi_n(-; \mathbb{Z}_p) \longrightarrow \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, \pi_{n-1}(-)) \longrightarrow 0,$$

where the following identifications are often useful:

- $\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p = \mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{p}]/\mathbb{Z}$, often denoted by \mathbb{Z}_{p^∞} .

- For any abelian group M , there is a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \varprojlim_r^1 M[p^r] \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, M) \rightarrow M_p^\wedge \rightarrow 0,$$

where $M[p^r]$ denotes the p^r -torsion of M (the transition maps are multiplication by p), and $M_p^\wedge = \varprojlim_r M/p^r M$ denotes its p -adic completion

- For any abelian group M , the Tate module $\varprojlim_r M[p^r]$ is naturally isomorphic to $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, M)$.

Lemma A.2. *Let A be a commutative, Noetherian ring, and M an A -module. Consider the statements:*

- (i) M is flat or finitely generated over A .
- (ii) The p -power torsion of M is bounded, i.e. there exists $c \geq 1$ such that any p -power torsion element of M is killed by p^c .
- (iii) The pro A -module $\{M[p^r]\}_r$ vanishes.
- (iv) $\varprojlim_r^1 M[p^r]$ and $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, M)$ are zero.

Then (i) \implies (ii) \implies (iii) \implies (iv).

Proof. Suppose first that M is a finitely generated A -module. Then M satisfies the ascending chain condition on submodules, so the chain $M[p] \subseteq M[p^2] \subseteq M[p^3] \subseteq \dots$ is eventually constant, meaning exactly that all p -power torsion in M is killed by p^c for some fixed $c \geq 1$. This proves (ii) for finitely generated M .

In particular, taking $M = A$, there exists $c \geq 1$ such that $A[p^r] = A[p^c]$ for all $r \geq c$; in other words, the sequence

$$0 \rightarrow A[p^c] \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{\times p^r} A$$

is exact. So, if M is a flat A -module then tensoring by M reveals that

$$0 \rightarrow A[p^c] \otimes_A M \rightarrow M \xrightarrow{\times p^r} M$$

is also exact, whence $p^c M[p^r] = 0$ for all $r \geq c$; this proves (ii) for flat M .

(ii) \implies (iii): Let $c \geq 1$ be as in part (ii). Then, for each $r \geq 1$, the transition map $M[p^{r+c}] \xrightarrow{\times p^c} M[p^r]$ is zero, as required to prove the vanishing of $\{M[p^r]\}_r$.

(iii) \implies (iv): This is immediate, using the identification $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, M) = \varprojlim_r M[p^r]$. \square

Lemma A.3. *Let A be a commutative, Noetherian ring, and M an A -module.*

- (i) If M/pM is a finitely generated A -module, then $\text{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, M)$ is a finitely generated A_p^\wedge -module.
- (ii) If $M[p]$ is a finitely generated A -module, then $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, M)$ is a finitely generated A_p^\wedge -module.

Proof. (i): There exists a finitely generated A -submodule $N \subseteq M$ such that $N/pN \rightarrow M/pM$ is surjective; let $\Lambda = M/N$, which is p -divisible. The long exact $\text{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, -)$ sequence for $0 \rightarrow N \rightarrow M \rightarrow \Lambda \rightarrow 0$ contains

$$\text{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, N) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, M) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, \Lambda),$$

and we claim that the final term vanishes. Indeed, it is equivalent to show that both $\varprojlim_r^1 \Lambda[p^r]$ and Λ_p^\wedge vanish, and this easily follows from the p -divisibility of Λ .

Moreover, it follows from Lemma A.2 that $\varprojlim_r^1 N[p^r] = 0$, whence $\text{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, N) = N_p^\wedge$, which is a finitely generated A_p^\wedge -module; since N_p^\wedge surjects onto $\text{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, M)$, we deduce that the latter is also finitely generated.

(ii): The “evaluation at $\frac{1}{p}$ ” map induces an injection

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, M) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \hookrightarrow M[p],$$

whence the left side is finitely generated over A_p^\wedge . Applying part (i) to the module $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, M)$, we therefore deduce that $\text{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, M))$ is a finitely generated A_p^\wedge -module, hence that its quotient $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, M)_p^\wedge$ is also a finitely generated A_p^\wedge -module. But $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, M) = \varprojlim_r M[p^r]$ is evidently already p -adically complete, so that $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, M)_p^\wedge = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, M)$. \square

Proof of Proposition A.1. It is sufficient to prove (ii), since (i) is then obtained by applying the Eilenberg–MacLane construction.

The p -completion X_p^\wedge is again a ring spectrum and so the groups $\pi_n(X; \mathbb{Z}_p)$ are naturally $\pi_0(X; \mathbb{Z}_p)$ -modules. Moreover, there is a canonical ring homomorphism

$$A_p^\wedge = \text{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p; A) \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p; \pi_0(X)) = \pi_0(X; \mathbb{Z}_p),$$

where the first equality follows from Lemma A.2 with $M = A$, and the second equality follows from the fact that X is connected.

Hence $\pi_n(X; \mathbb{Z}_p)$ is naturally an A_p^\wedge -module, and

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, \pi_n(X)) \longrightarrow \pi_n(X; \mathbb{Z}_p) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, \pi_{n-1}(X)) \longrightarrow 0 \quad (\dagger)$$

is an exact sequence of A_p^\wedge -modules. By assumption $\pi_n(X) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ and $\pi_n(X)[p]$ are finitely generated A -modules for all $n \geq 0$, so the previous lemma implies that the outer terms of (\dagger) are finitely generated A_p^\wedge -modules; this completes the proof. \square

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