

Given a regular sequence, the Koszul complex will give a particularly nice projective resolution of the \mathcal{O} -module I . It is modeled on the well-known fact from linear algebra that, for an n -dimensional vector space V and nonzero vector $v^* \in V^*$, the contraction operator

$$\bar{i}(v^*) : \Lambda^k V \longrightarrow \Lambda^{k-1} V$$

induces an exact sequence of vector spaces

$$0 \longrightarrow \Lambda^n V \longrightarrow \Lambda^{n-1} V \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow \Lambda^2 V \longrightarrow V \longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow 0$$

($\mathbb{C} = \Lambda^0 V$).

$$\mathbb{F} \quad nC_n - nC_{n-1} + nC_{n-2} - \cdots \pm nC_0 = (1+x)^n \Big|_{x=-1} = 0.$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \Lambda^k V & \xrightarrow{\bar{i}(v^*)} & \Lambda^{k-1} V & \xrightarrow{\bar{i}(v^*)} & \Lambda^{k-2} V \\ \downarrow \psi & & & & \\ \Lambda & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \bar{i}(v^*)\Lambda & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \bar{i}(v^*)(\bar{i}(v^*)\Lambda) \end{array}$$

$$\langle \bar{i}(v^*)(\bar{i}(v^*)\Lambda), \zeta \rangle = \langle \bar{i}(v^*)\Lambda, v^* \wedge \zeta \rangle = \langle \Lambda, v^* \wedge v^* \wedge \zeta \rangle = 0 \quad \text{for all } \zeta \in \Lambda^{k-2} V^* = (\Lambda^{k-2} V)^* \quad \text{by P210.}$$

$\Rightarrow \ker \bar{i}(v^*) \supset \text{im } \bar{i}(v^*)$.

Given $P \in \Lambda^{k-1} V$ s.t. $\bar{i}(v^*)P = 0$, then

$$\langle \bar{i}(v^*)P, \zeta \rangle = 0 \quad \text{for all } \zeta \in (\Lambda^{k-2} V)^* = \Lambda^{k-2} V^*.$$

We have to find $\eta \in \Lambda^k V$ s.t. $\bar{i}(v^*)\eta = P$.

By linearity of \bar{i} i.e., $\bar{i}(\alpha v^*) = \alpha \bar{i}(v^*)$

$= \alpha \bar{i}(v^*)$, we may assume that v is a unit vector.

\Rightarrow We may assume that $v = e_1$, $V = \langle e_1, \dots, e_n \rangle$, e_1, \dots, e_n orthonormal basis.