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## Abstract

We give an explicit locally analytic cocycle which – composed with the Hurewicz map from algebraic K-theory to group homology – gives the  $p$ -adic Borel regulator defined by Annette Huber and Guido Kings for the K-theory of a  $p$ -adic field. Using this explicit cocycle we show that the  $p$ -adic Borel regulator equals Karoubi’s regulator up to a constant.

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## Introduction

Let  $K$  be a finite extension of  $\mathbf{Q}_p$  with valuation ring  $R$ . In [4] Annette Huber and Guido Kings introduce a regulator  $b_p : K_{2n-1}(R) \rightarrow K$  and relate it via the Bloch-Kato exponential map to Soulé’s regulator  $K_{2n-1}(K) \rightarrow H^1(K, \mathbf{Q}_p(n))$ . The definition of  $b_p$  parallels Borel’s construction of his regulator  $K_{2n-1}(\mathbf{C}) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ , only that the van Est isomorphism is replaced by the Lazard isomorphism

$H_{\text{la}}^{2n-1}(\text{GL}_N(R), K) \simeq H^{2n-1}(\mathfrak{gl}_N, K)$  between locally analytic group cohomology and Lie algebra cohomology. Huber and Kings describe explicitly an element  $p_n$  in the Lie algebra cohomology and by definition the  $p$ -adic Borel regulator  $b_p$  is the composition of the Hurewicz map from K-theory to group homology and the preimage of  $p_n$  under Lazard's isomorphism.

There is another construction of a  $p$ -adic regulator from the relative K-theory of  $K$  to  $K$  due to Max Karoubi [5] which uses the Chern character  $\text{ch}_{2n-1}^{\text{rel}} : K_{2n-1}^{\text{rel}}(K) \rightarrow HC_{2n-2}(K)$  from relative K-theory to topological cyclic homology and the periodicity operator  $HC_{2n-2}(K) \rightarrow HC_0(K) = K$ . There is a canonical isomorphism  $K_{2n-1}^{\text{rel}}(K)_{\mathbf{Q}} \simeq K_{2n-1}(K)_{\mathbf{Q}}$  which allows us to compare both regulators. Karoubi's regulator also factors through the Hurewicz map to the rational homology of a certain simplicial set and Nadia Hamida [3] described an explicit simplicial cocycle which gives this regulator.

In the present paper we show that Hamida's cocycle induces a locally analytic cocycle for the group  $\text{GL}_N(R)$  and prove that this cocycle equals the one defining the  $p$ -adic Borel regulator up to a constant.

In the first section we shortly sketch Karoubi's construction and recall the relevant results of Hamida. In the second section we recall the construction of the  $p$ -adic Borel regulator and construct a locally analytic cocycle similar to Hamida's simplicial cocycle which gives the  $p$ -adic Borel regulator. In the third section we finally prove that both regulators agree up to a constant under the identifications  $K_{2n-1}^{\text{rel}}(K)_{\mathbf{Q}} \simeq K_{2n-1}(K)_{\mathbf{Q}} \simeq K_{2n-1}(R)_{\mathbf{Q}}$ . Since the explicit cocycles involve the integration of a  $p$ -adic differential form over the standard simplex, we have included an appendix where the technical questions of integration are discussed.

## 1 Karoubi's $p$ -adic regulator

### 1.1 Relative K-theory

Let  $A$  be an ultrametric Banach ring (cf. [1]), i.e. a ring  $A$  equipped with an ultrametric "quasi-norm"  $\|\cdot\| : A \rightarrow \mathbf{R}_+$  verifying  $\|a\| = 0 \iff a = 0$ ,  $\|a\| = \|-a\|$ ,  $\|ab\| \leq \|a\|\|b\|$ ,  $\|a+b\| \leq \max\{\|a\|, \|b\|\}$ , for which it is complete. Let  $A\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle$  denote the ring of power series  $\sum_{I \in \mathbf{N}_0^{n+1}} a_I x^I$  with  $a_I \in A$ ,  $x = (x_0, \dots, x_n)$  and  $\|a_I\| |I|^r \xrightarrow{|I| \rightarrow \infty} 0$  for every  $r > \in \mathbf{N}_0$ . We call it the ring of *indefinitely integrable power series with coefficients in  $A$* .  $A\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle$  is an ultrametric Fréchet ring where the topology is given by the family of seminorms  $p_r$ ,  $r \in \mathbf{N}_0$ ,  $p_r(\sum a_I x^I) = \sup_I \|a_I\| \cdot |I|^r$  (see the appendix for details). Let  $I_n \subset A\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle$  be the principal ideal generated by  $x_0 + \dots + x_n - 1$  and define  $A_n := A\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle / I_n$ .

$A_*$  defines a simplicial ring with faces  $\partial_i$  and degeneracies  $s_i$  induced by

$$\partial_i(x_j) = \begin{cases} x_j & \text{if } j < i, \\ 0 & \text{if } j = i, \\ x_{j-1} & \text{if } j > i, \end{cases} \quad s_i(x_j) = \begin{cases} x_j & \text{if } j < i, \\ x_i + x_{i+1} & \text{if } j = i, \\ x_{j+1} & \text{if } j > i. \end{cases}$$

The classifying space  $\mathrm{BGL}(A_*)$  of the simplicial group  $\mathrm{GL}(A_*)$  is an H-space and by [6] 6.17 the natural map  $\mathrm{BGL}(A) \rightarrow \mathrm{BGL}(A_*)$  induces a homotopy fibre sequence

$$(\mathrm{GL}(A_*)/\mathrm{GL}(A))^+ \xrightarrow{\theta} \mathrm{BGL}(A)^+ \rightarrow \mathrm{BGL}(A_*)$$

where  $(\cdot)^+$  is Quillen's  $+$ -construction and  $\theta$  is induced by the map  $\mathrm{GL}(A_n) \ni \sigma \mapsto (\sigma(0)\sigma(1)^{-1}, \dots, \sigma(n-1)\sigma(n)^{-1}) \in B_n \mathrm{GL}(A) = \mathrm{GL}(A)^{\times n}$ . Here  $\sigma(i) = (i)^* \sigma$  where  $(i) : [0] \rightarrow [n]$  is the morphism in the simplicial category that sends  $0 \in [0]$  to  $i \in [n]$  ("the value of  $\sigma$  on the  $i^{\mathrm{th}}$  vertex of the standard simplex").

The topological and relative  $K$ -groups of  $A$  are by definition (cf. [5], [7])

$$K_n^{\mathrm{top}}(A) := \pi_n(\mathrm{BGL}(A_*)) \quad \text{and} \quad K_n^{\mathrm{rel}}(A) := \pi_n((\mathrm{GL}(A_*)/\mathrm{GL}(A))^+).$$

In particular there are long exact sequences

$$\dots \rightarrow K_n^{\mathrm{rel}}(A) \rightarrow K_n(A) \rightarrow K_n^{\mathrm{top}}(A) \rightarrow K_{n-1}^{\mathrm{rel}}(A) \rightarrow \dots$$

We are particularly interested in the case where  $A = K$  is a finite extension of  $\mathbf{Q}_p$  with residue field  $k$ . In this situation Adina Calvo ([1]) shows that one has exact sequences

$$0 \rightarrow K_n(k) \rightarrow K_n^{\mathrm{top}}(K) \rightarrow K_{n-1}(k) \rightarrow 0.$$

By Quillen's result on the  $K$ -groups of finite fields  $K_{2i+1}^{\mathrm{top}}(K) = K_{2i+2}^{\mathrm{top}}(K) = K_{2i+1}(k)$  is finite for  $i > 0$ . In particular the canonical map  $K_n^{\mathrm{rel}}(K)_{\mathbf{Q}} \rightarrow K_n(K)_{\mathbf{Q}}$  is an isomorphism for  $n > 2$  (here we write  $K_n^{\mathrm{rel}}(K)_{\mathbf{Q}}$  for  $K_n^{\mathrm{rel}}(K) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Q}$  etc.). Furthermore if  $R$  denotes the ring of interges in  $K$  there are canonical isomorphisms  $K_n^{\mathrm{top}}(R) \xrightarrow{\simeq} K_n^{\mathrm{top}}(k) \simeq K_n(k)$ . The localization sequence in algebraic  $K$ -theory yields isomorphisms  $K_n(R)_{\mathbf{Q}} \rightarrow K_n(K)_{\mathbf{Q}}$  for  $n > 2$ . Thus we have canonical isomorphisms

$$\begin{array}{ccc} K_n^{\mathrm{rel}}(R)_{\mathbf{Q}} & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & K_n(R)_{\mathbf{Q}} \\ \downarrow \simeq & & \downarrow \simeq \\ K_n^{\mathrm{rel}}(K)_{\mathbf{Q}} & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & K_n(K)_{\mathbf{Q}}. \end{array}$$

## 1.2 The regulator

We sketch the construction of Karoubi's  $p$ -adic regulator as in [3]. More details may be found in [2].

Let  $K$  be a finite extension of  $\mathbf{Q}_p$  with ring of integers  $R$  and uniformizing parameter  $\pi$ . Let  $(C_*^{\lambda \mathrm{top}}(K), b)$  denote the complex defining the topological cyclic homology (with ground ring  $\mathbf{Q}$ )  $HC_*^{\mathrm{top}}(K)$  of  $K$  (see e.g. [6], [5]). Karoubi has constructed a relative Chern character  $\mathrm{ch}_{2n-1}^{\mathrm{rel}} : K_{2n-1}^{\mathrm{rel}}(K) \rightarrow C_{2n-2}^{\lambda \mathrm{top}}(K)/b(C_{2n-1}^{\lambda \mathrm{top}}(K))$  and Hamida proves that its image is contained in the subgroup  $HC_{2n-2}^{\mathrm{top}}(K)$  of  $C_{2n-2}^{\lambda \mathrm{top}}(K)/b(C_{2n-1}^{\lambda \mathrm{top}}(K))$  ([3] Def.-Prop. 2.1.2).

**Definition.** The  $p$ -adic regulator  $r_p$  is defined to be the composition

$$r_p : K_{2n-1}^{\text{rel}}(K) \xrightarrow{\text{ch}_{2n-1}^{\text{rel}}} HC_{2n-2}^{\text{top}}(K) \xrightarrow{S} HC_0^{\text{top}}(K) = K,$$

where  $S$  is the  $(n-1)$ -fold iterate of Connes' periodicity operator.

In order to compare the above regulator with the  $p$ -adic Borel regulator we need the explicit description of  $r_p$  given by Hamida which uses Goodwillie's relative K-theory. We recall the relevant definitions and facts from [8] ch. 11. For a ring  $A$  and a two-sided ideal  $I$  in  $A$  denote by  $\mathcal{K}(A, I)$  the connected component of the basepoint of the homotopy fiber of  $\text{BGL}(A)^+ \rightarrow \text{BGL}(A/I)^+$ . For  $n \geq 1$ ,  $K_n(A, I)$  is defined to be  $\pi_n(\mathcal{K}(A, I))$ . The space  $\mathcal{K}(A, I)$  has a Volodin model  $X(A, I)$  constructed as follows: For any ordering  $\gamma$  of  $\{1, \dots, n\}$  define  $T_n^\gamma(A, I)$  to be the subgroup  $\{1 + (a_{ij}) \in \text{GL}_n(A) \mid a_{ij} \in I \text{ if } i \not\prec j\}$  of  $\text{GL}_n(A)$ . Then  $X(A, I)$  is the union of classifying spaces  $\bigcup_{n, \gamma} BT_n^\gamma(A, I)$  in  $\text{BGL}(A)$ . We consider  $X(A, I)$  also as a simplicial subset of  $\text{BGL}(A)$ .

**Proposition 1.1 ([8] Prop. 11.3.6, Cor. 11.3.8).** *There is a natural homotopy equivalence  $X(A, I)^+ \approx \mathcal{K}(A, I)$ . In particular  $K_n(A, I) = \pi_n(X(A, I)^+)$ . Moreover the direct sum of matrices induces an  $H$ -space structure on  $X(A, I)^+$  so that  $K_n(A, I)_{\mathbf{Q}}$  is isomorphic to the primitive part  $\text{Prim}H_n(X(A, I), \mathbf{Q})$  of the rational homology of  $X(A, I)$  via the Hurewicz homomorphism.*

Now let  $A = R$  and  $I = \pi R$  the maximal ideal of  $R$ . Hamida proves the following

**Proposition 1.2 ([3] Thm. 1.3).** *There exists an isomorphism*

$$K_n(R, \pi R) \xrightarrow{\cong} K_n^{\text{rel}}(R).$$

*It is induced by the simplicial map  $\varphi : X(R, \pi R) \rightarrow \text{GL}(R_*)/\text{GL}(R)$  that sends  $(g_1, \dots, g_r) \in T^\gamma(R, \pi R)^{\times r} \subset X_r(R, \pi R)$  to  $\sum_{i=0}^r x_i g_{i+1} \cdots g_r \in \text{GL}(R_r)$ .*

It is not a priori clear that  $\sum_{i=0}^r x_i g_{i+1} \cdots g_r$  is invertible in  $\text{Mat}(R_r)$ . For a proof of a similar statement see lemma 2.3. Now the explicit description of the regulator  $r_p$  is the following

**Proposition 1.3 ([3] Prop 2.1.3).** *The composition*

$$K_{2n-1}(R, \pi R) \xrightarrow[\cong]{\varphi} K_{2n-1}^{\text{rel}}(R) \rightarrow K_{2n-1}^{\text{rel}}(K) \xrightarrow{r_p} K$$

*is equal to the composition*

$$K_{2n-1}(R, \pi R) \rightarrow H_{2n-1}(X(R, \pi R)) \xrightarrow{\phi} K,$$

*where the first arrow is the Hurewicz map and  $\phi$  is given by the simplicial cocycle that sends  $(g_1, \dots, g_{2n-1}) \in T^\gamma(R, \pi R)^{\times(2n-1)}$  to*

$$\frac{(-1)^n (n-1)!}{(2n-1)!(2n-2)!} \text{Tr} \int_{\Delta^{2n-1}} (d\nu \cdot \nu^{-1})^{2n-1} \in K$$

*with  $\nu = \sum_{i=0}^{2n-1} x_i g_{i+1} \cdots g_{2n-1} \in \text{GL}(R_{2n-1})$ .*

See the appendix for the definition of the integral.

## 2 An explicit description of the $p$ -adic Borel regulator

### 2.1 The construction of the $p$ -adic Borel regulator

We recall the construction of the  $p$ -adic Borel regulator by Annette Huber and Guido Kings in [4]. Let  $K/\mathbf{Q}_p$  be a finite extension with ring of integers  $R$  and uniformizing parameter  $\pi$ . Define  $U_N(R) = 1 + \pi \text{Mat}_N(R) \subset \text{GL}_N(R)$  and let  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$  denote the  $K$ -Lie algebra of  $\text{GL}_N$ . For  $n \leq N$  the map  $\bigwedge^{2n-1} \mathfrak{gl}_N \rightarrow K$ ,

$$(X_1, \dots, X_{2n-1}) \mapsto \frac{((n-1)!)^2}{(2n-1)!} \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{2n-1}} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \text{Tr}(X_{\sigma(1)} \cdots X_{\sigma(2n-1)}),$$

where  $\mathfrak{S}_{2n-1}$  is the symmetric group,  $\text{Tr}$  is the trace map  $\mathfrak{gl}_N \rightarrow K$  and  $\cdot$  is matrix multiplication, defines the primitive element  $p_n \in H^{2n-1}(\mathfrak{gl}_N, K)$ .

In [4] Huber and Kings prove the following version of Lazard's theorem:

**Theorem 2.1.** *There are natural isomorphisms*

$$H_{\text{la}}^{2n-1}(\text{GL}_N(R), K) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_{\text{la}}^{2n-1}(U_N(R), K) \xrightarrow{\cong} H^{2n-1}(\mathfrak{gl}_N, K)$$

between the locally analytic group cohomology and the Lie algebra cohomology.

They also give an explicit description of this isomorphism which will be recalled in the next section.

Let  $b_p$  be the image of  $p_n$  under the composition

$$H^{2n-1}(\mathfrak{gl}_N, K) \xleftarrow{\cong} H_{\text{la}}^{2n-1}(\text{GL}_N(R), K) \xrightarrow{\text{"forget la"}} H^{2n-1}(\text{GL}_N(R), K).$$

**Definition.** The  $p$ -adic Borel regulator

$$K_{2n-1}(R) \rightarrow K$$

is defined to be the composition

$$K_{2n-1}(R) \xrightarrow{\text{Hurewicz}} H_{2n-1}(\text{GL}(R), \mathbf{Q}) \simeq H_{2n-1}(\text{GL}_N(R), \mathbf{Q}) \xrightarrow{b_p} K.$$

Here one uses the fact that the canonical homomorphism  $H_{2n-1}(\text{GL}_N(R), \mathbf{Q}) \rightarrow H_{2n-1}(\text{GL}(R), \mathbf{Q})$  is an isomorphism if  $N$  is big enough (depending on  $n$ ).

### 2.2 The Lazard isomorphism

Let  $G = \text{GL}_N(R)$  considered as a  $K$ -Lie group with unit element  $e$  and Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$ . By [4], section 5, the Lazard isomorphism  $H_{\text{la}}^n(G, K) \xrightarrow{\cong} H^n(\mathfrak{gl}_N, K)$  is induced by the map

$$\Phi : \mathcal{O}^{\text{la}}(G^{\times n}) \simeq \mathcal{O}^{\text{la}}(G)^{\hat{\otimes} n} \rightarrow \bigwedge^n \mathfrak{gl}_N^{\vee}, \quad f_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes f_n \mapsto df_1(e) \wedge \cdots \wedge df_n(e),$$

where  $\mathcal{O}^{\text{la}}$  denotes the ring of locally analytic functions and  $df(e)$  is the differential of  $f$  at  $e$ .

Now let  $\exp$  be the exponential map of  $G$  defined on a neighbourhood of zero in  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$ . For a locally analytic function  $f \in \mathcal{O}^{\text{la}}(G^{\times n})$  we define  $\Delta f \in \bigwedge^n \mathfrak{gl}_N^{\vee}$  by

$$\Delta f(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \frac{d^n}{dt_1 \dots dt_n} f(\exp(t_1 X_{\sigma_1}), \dots, \exp(t_n X_{\sigma_n})) \Big|_{t=0}$$

If  $f$  is of the special form  $f = f_1 \otimes \dots \otimes f_n$  one has

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt_i} f(\exp(t_1 X_{\sigma_1}), \dots, \exp(t_n X_{\sigma_n})) \Big|_{t_i=0} &= \\ &= f_1(\exp(t_1 X_{\sigma_1})) \dots df_i(e)(X_{\sigma_i}) \dots f_n(\exp(t_n X_{\sigma_n})) \end{aligned}$$

and therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta f(X_1, \dots, X_n) &= \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) df_1(e)(X_{\sigma_1}) \dots df_n(e)(X_{\sigma_n}) \\ &= df_1(e) \wedge \dots \wedge df_n(e)(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \Phi(f)(X_1, \dots, X_n). \end{aligned}$$

Since the functions of the form  $f_1 \otimes \dots \otimes f_n$  are topological generators of  $\mathcal{O}^{\text{la}}(G^{\times n})$  and  $\Phi$  and  $\Delta$  are continuous for the Fréchet topology on  $\mathcal{O}^{\text{la}}(G^{\times n})$  we have proven

**Proposition 2.2.** *The Lazard isomorphism  $H_{\text{la}}^n(\text{GL}_N(R), K) \xrightarrow{\simeq} H^n(\mathfrak{gl}_N, K)$  is induced by  $\Delta : \mathcal{O}^{\text{la}}(G^{\times n}) \rightarrow \bigwedge^n \mathfrak{gl}_N^{\vee}$ .*

### 2.3 An explicit cocycle

Recall the ring  $R_n = R\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle / (\sum x_i - 1)$  from section 1.1.

**Lemma 2.3.** *Let  $g_1, \dots, g_n$  be elements of  $U_N(R)$ . Then  $\nu = \sum_{i=0}^n x_i g_{i+1} \dots g_n$  is invertible, i.e. lies in  $\text{GL}_N(R_n)$ .*

*Proof.* Write  $g_{i+1} \dots g_n = 1 - h_i$  with  $h_i \in \pi \text{Mat}_N(R)$ . Then  $\nu = \sum_{i=0}^n x_i - \sum_{i=0}^n x_i h_i = 1 - \sum_{i=0}^n x_i h_i =: 1 - h$ . We show that  $\sum_{k \in \mathbf{N}} h^k$  converges in  $\text{Mat}_N(R\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle)$ . Its image in  $\text{Mat}_N(R_n)$  will be an inverse of  $\nu$ . Let  $p_r, r \in \mathbf{N}_0$ , be the family of seminorms defining the Fréchet topology on  $R\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle$  and extend  $p_r$  in the obvious way to matrices. Since  $h^k$  is homogeneous of degree  $k$  we have

$$p_r(h^k) \leq k^r \max_{|I|=k} \|h_0\|^{i_0} \dots \|h_n\|^{i_n} \leq k^r c^k$$

where  $c := \max_{i=0, \dots, n} \|h_i\| < 1$  and  $I$  runs through multiindices in  $\mathbf{N}_0^{n+1}$ . But  $k^r c^k$  tends to zero as  $k$  tends to infinity and so  $\sum_{k \in \mathbf{N}} h^k$  indeed converges to an element of  $\text{Mat}_N(R\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle)$ .  $\square$

Since the  $p$ -adic Borel regulator  $b_p \in H^{2n-1}(\text{GL}(R), K)$  is the image of a locally analytic cocycle and  $H_{\text{la}}^{2n-1}(\text{GL}_N(R), K) \simeq H_{\text{la}}^{2n-1}(U_N(R), K)$ ,  $b_p$  is determined by a locally analytic cocycle  $U_N(R)^{\times(2n-1)} \rightarrow K$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** *The  $p$ -adic Borel regulator  $b_p$  is given by the locally analytic cocycle  $f : U_N(\mathbb{R})^{\times(2n-1)} \rightarrow K$ ,*

$$f(g_1, \dots, g_{2n-1}) = -\frac{((n-1)!)^2}{(2n-1)!} \operatorname{Tr} \int_{\Delta^{2n-1}} (d\nu \cdot \nu^{-1})^{2n-1}$$

where  $\nu = \nu(g_1, \dots, g_{2n-1}) = \sum_{i=0}^{2n-1} x_i g_{i+1} \cdots g_{2n-1} \in \operatorname{GL}_N(\mathbb{R}_{2n-1})$ .

*Proof.* The fact that  $f$  is locally analytic is proven in the appendix (proposition A.8). For the proof that  $f$  indeed defines a cocycle cf. [2], Prop. II 3.3.1.

We have to show that  $f$  is mapped to the primitive element  $p_n$  of section 2.1 under the Lazard isomorphism, i.e.  $\Delta(f) = p_n$ . Write  $\partial_i$  instead of  $\frac{d}{dt_i}$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(f)(X_1, \dots, X_{2n-1}) &= -\frac{((n-1)!)^2}{(2n-1)!} \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{2n-1}} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) \partial_1 \cdots \partial_{2n-1} \Big|_{t_1=\dots=0} \\ &\quad \operatorname{Tr} \int_{\Delta^{2n-1}} (d\nu \cdot \nu^{-1})^{2n-1} (\exp(t_1 X_{\sigma_1}), \dots, \exp(t_{2n-1} X_{\sigma_{2n-1}})). \end{aligned}$$

By proposition A.7 we may interchange differentiation and integration. Let us first consider the  $\sigma = 1$  summand. Write

$$\begin{aligned} \omega &:= \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{2n-1} dx_i \exp(t_{i+1} X_{i+1}) \cdots \exp(t_{2n-1} X_{2n-1}) \right], \\ \omega' &:= \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{2n-1} x_i \exp(t_{i+1} X_{i+1}) \cdots \exp(t_{2n-1} X_{2n-1}) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$(d\nu \cdot \nu^{-1})^{2n-1} (\exp(t_1 X_1), \dots, \exp(t_{2n-1} X_{2n-1})) = (\omega \cdot \omega'^{-1})^{2n-1}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &\partial_1 \cdots \partial_{2n-1} (d\nu \cdot \nu^{-1})^{2n-1} (\exp(t_1 X_1), \dots, \exp(t_{2n-1} X_{2n-1})) \Big|_{t=0} = \\ &= \partial_1 \cdots \partial_{2n-1} (\omega \cdot \omega'^{-1})^{2n-1} \Big|_{t=0} = \sum_{i_1=1}^{2n-1} \cdots \sum_{i_{2n-1}=1}^{2n-1} \cdots \partial_j (\omega \cdot \omega'^{-1}) \cdots \Big|_{t=0}. \end{aligned}$$

The last product in the sum is a product of  $2n-1$  factors  $(\omega \cdot \omega'^{-1})$  with  $\partial_j$  in front of the  $i_j^{\text{th}}$  factor (of course there may be several  $\partial$ 's in front of one factor). Note that  $\omega|_{t=0} = \sum_{i=0}^{2n-1} dx_i = 0$ , so in the last sum all summands with  $(i_1, \dots, i_{2n-1})$  not a permutation of  $(1, \dots, 2n-1)$  vanish. On the other hand using  $\omega'|_{t=0} = \sum_{i=0}^{2n-1} x_i = 1$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_j (\omega \cdot \omega'^{-1}) \Big|_{t=0} &= (\partial_j \omega) \Big|_{t=0} \cdot \omega'^{-1} \Big|_{t=0} + \omega \Big|_{t=0} \cdot (\partial_j \omega'^{-1}) \Big|_{t=0} = \\ &= (\partial_j \omega) \Big|_{t=0} = \sum_{i=0}^{j-1} dx_i \cdot X_j. \end{aligned}$$

Alltogether we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& \partial_1 \dots \partial_{2n-1} (d\nu \cdot \nu^{-1})^{2n-1} (\exp(t_1 X_1), \dots, \exp(t_{2n-1} X_{2n-1})) \Big|_{t=0} = \\
&= \sum_{\tau \in \mathfrak{S}_{2n-1}} \left( \sum_{i=0}^{\tau(1)-1} dx_i \cdot X_{\tau(1)} \right) \cdots \left( \sum_{i=0}^{\tau(2n-1)-1} dx_i \cdot X_{\tau(2n-1)} \right) \\
&= \sum_{\tau \in \mathfrak{S}_{2n-1}} X_{\tau(1)} \cdots X_{\tau(2n-1)} \left( \sum_{i=0}^{\tau(1)-1} dx_i \right) \cdots \left( \sum_{i=0}^{\tau(2n-1)-1} dx_i \right) \\
&= \sum_{\tau \in \mathfrak{S}_{2n-1}} \operatorname{sgn}(\tau) X_{\tau(1)} \cdots X_{\tau(2n-1)} dx_0 dx_1 \dots dx_{2n-2}.
\end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{2n-1}} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) \partial_1 \dots \partial_{2n-1} \\
& \quad (d\nu \cdot \nu^{-1})^{2n-1} (\exp(t_1 X_{\sigma(1)}), \dots, \exp(t_{2n-1} X_{\sigma(2n-1)})) \Big|_{t=0} = \\
&= \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{2n-1}} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) \sum_{\tau \in \mathfrak{S}_{2n-1}} \operatorname{sgn}(\tau) X_{\sigma\tau(1)} \cdots X_{\sigma\tau(2n-1)} dx_0 dx_1 \dots dx_{2n-2} = \\
&= (2n-1)! \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{2n-1}} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) X_{\sigma(1)} \cdots X_{\sigma(2n-1)} dx_0 dx_1 \dots dx_{2n-2}.
\end{aligned}$$

Because

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\Delta^{2n-1}} dx_0 \dots dx_{2n-2} &= - \int_{\Delta^{2n-1}} dx_{2n-1} dx_1 \dots dx_{2n-2} \\
&= - \int_{\Delta^{2n-1}} dx_1 \dots dx_{2n-1} = - \frac{1}{(2n-1)!}
\end{aligned}$$

(cf. the explicit formula in the proof of proposition A.4) we finally obtain

$$\Delta(f)(X_1, \dots, X_{2n-1}) = \frac{((n-1)!)^2}{(2n-1)!} \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{2n-1}} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) \operatorname{Tr}(X_{\sigma(1)} \cdots X_{\sigma(2n-1)}),$$

that is  $\Delta(f) = p_n$ . □

### 3 Comparison of the two regulators

**Theorem 3.1.** *For  $n > 1$ , the diagram*

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
K_{2n-1}^{\operatorname{rel}}(K)_{\mathbf{Q}} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & K_{2n-1}(K)_{\mathbf{Q}} & \xleftarrow{\cong} & K_{2n-1}(R)_{\mathbf{Q}} \\
& \searrow r_p & & \swarrow \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!(2n-2)!} b_p & \\
& & K & & 
\end{array}$$

*is commutative.*

*Proof.* We have a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
& & K_{2n-1}^{\text{rel}}(K)_{\mathbf{Q}} & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & K_{2n-1}(K)_{\mathbf{Q}} \\
& & \uparrow \simeq & & \uparrow \simeq \\
K_{2n-1}(R, \pi R)_{\mathbf{Q}} & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & K_{2n-1}^{\text{rel}}(R)_{\mathbf{Q}} & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & K_{2n-1}(R)_{\mathbf{Q}} \\
\downarrow \simeq & & & & \downarrow \simeq \\
\text{Prim}H_{2n-1}(X(R, \pi R), \mathbf{Q}) & \xrightarrow{\beta} & & & \text{Prim}H_{2n-1}(\text{BGL}(R), \mathbf{Q})
\end{array}$$

where  $\beta$  is induced by the composition

$$X(R, \pi R) \xrightarrow{\varphi} \text{GL}(R_*)/\text{GL}(R) \xrightarrow{\theta} \text{BGL}(R)$$

(see section 1.1 for the definition of  $\theta$  and proposition 1.2 for that of  $\varphi$ ) which is just the natural inclusion  $X(R, \pi R) \subset \text{BGL}(R)$  as one easily checks. We also denote by  $\beta$  the induced map on homology. To prove the theorem it suffices to show that

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
H_{2n-1}(X(R, \pi R), \mathbf{Q}) & \xrightarrow{\beta} & H_{2n-1}(\text{BGL}(R), \mathbf{Q}) \\
& \searrow r_p & \swarrow \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!(2n-2)!} b_p \\
& & K
\end{array}$$

commutes.

It follows from the long exact sequence of relative K-theory and the finiteness of  $K_i(R/\pi R)$  for  $i > 0$  that  $K_i(R, \pi R)_{\mathbf{Q}} \rightarrow K_i(R)_{\mathbf{Q}}$  is an isomorphism for all  $i > 0$ . Thus we know that  $X(R, \pi R)^+ \rightarrow \text{BGL}(R)^+$  induces an isomorphism on the subspaces of primitive elements in rational homology and it follows from the theorem of Cartan-Milnor-Moore that it induces in fact an isomorphism  $H_*(X(R, \pi R), \mathbf{Q}) \xrightarrow{\beta} H_*(\text{BGL}(R), \mathbf{Q})$ .

Since for each  $N$  the subgroup  $U_N(R)$  has finite index in  $\text{GL}_N(R)$  it follows that  $H_{2n-1}(BU(R), \mathbf{Q}) \rightarrow H_{2n-1}(\text{BGL}(R), \mathbf{Q})$  is surjective where  $U(R) = \varinjlim U_N(R)$ . Next  $BU(R)$  is actually contained in  $X(R, \pi R)$  and thus we have a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
H_{2n-1}(BU(R), \mathbf{Q}) & & \\
\alpha \downarrow & \searrow \gamma & \\
H_{2n-1}(X(R, \pi R), \mathbf{Q}) & \xrightarrow[\simeq]{\beta} & H_{2n-1}(\text{BGL}(R), \mathbf{Q})
\end{array}$$

with  $\gamma$  and hence also  $\alpha$  surjective. Now  $r_p$  is given by the cocycle  $\phi$  of proposition 1.3 and  $b_p \circ \gamma$  is given by the cocycle  $f$  of theorem 2.4. From the explicit formulae for  $\phi$  and  $f$  it is clear that  $\phi \circ \alpha = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!(2n-2)!} f \circ \gamma$  which proves the theorem.  $\square$

## A Integration on the standard simplex

### A.1 The ring $A\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle$

Let  $A$  be an ultrametric Banach ring. For simplicity write  $A\langle x \rangle$  for  $A\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle$  (cf. section 1.1). Recall also the family of seminorms  $p_r$ ,  $r \in \mathbf{N}_0$ ,  $p_r(\sum a_I x^I) = \sup_I \|a_I\| \cdot |I|^r$ . We write also  $\|\cdot\|_r$  for  $p_r$ .

**Proposition A.1.**  *$A\langle x \rangle$  is a sub- $A$ -algebra of the algebra of formal power series with coefficients in  $A$ . Its underlying module is an ultrametric Fréchet module. Furthermore*

$$\|f \cdot g\|_r \leq \sum_{s=0}^r \binom{r}{s} \|f\|_s \|g\|_{s-r}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $f = \sum_I a_I x^I$  and  $g = \sum b_I x^I$  be in  $A\langle x \rangle$ . We want to show that  $f \cdot g = \sum_I c_I x^I$  with  $c_I = \sum_{K+L=I} a_K b_L$  is also in  $A\langle x \rangle$ . Fix a non negative integer  $r$  and let  $A := \sup_K (\sum_{s=0}^r \binom{r}{s} |K|^s \|a_K\|)$ ,  $B := \sup_K (\sum_{s=0}^r \binom{r}{s} |K|^{r-s} \|b_K\|)$ . Given  $\varepsilon > 0$  choose  $N > 0$  such that  $|K|^s \|a_K\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{B}$ ,  $|K|^{r-s} \|b_K\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{A}$  for all  $s = 0, \dots, r$  and  $|K| \geq N$ . Then for every  $|I| \geq 2N$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} |I|^r \|c_I\| &\leq \max_{K+L=I} ((|K| + |L|)^r \|a_K\| \|b_L\|) \\ &= \max_{K+L=I} \left( \sum_{s=0}^r \binom{r}{s} |K|^s \|a_K\| |L|^{r-s} \|b_L\| \right) < \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $f \cdot g$  in fact belongs to  $A\langle x \rangle$ . The assertion on  $\|f \cdot g\|_r$  follows immediately from the above computation.

It remains to show that  $A\langle x \rangle$  is complete. This is easy.  $\square$

*Remark.* Let  $|f|_s = \sum_{r=0}^s \frac{1}{r!} \|f\|_r$ . Then it follows from the above proposition that  $(|\cdot|_s)_{s \in \mathbf{N}}$  is a family of seminorms which defines the same topology on  $A\langle x \rangle$  and satisfies  $|f \cdot g|_s \leq |f|_s |g|_s$ .

Now let  $\phi : [n] \rightarrow [m]$  be a monotone map (a morphism in the simplicial category  $\Delta$ ). We want to define  $\phi^* : A\langle x_0, \dots, x_m \rangle \rightarrow A\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle$  by  $x_i \mapsto \sum_{\phi(j)=i} x_j$ ,  $i = 0, \dots, m$ . We have to show that  $\phi^*$  is well defined and continuous. Slightly more generally we have:

**Lemma A.2.** *Let  $g = (g_0, \dots, g_m)$  be a tuple of polynomials of degree 1 in  $A\langle y_0, \dots, y_n \rangle$  with integral coefficients. Then for  $f = \sum_I a_I x^I \in A\langle x_0, \dots, x_m \rangle$  the formal composition  $f \circ g = \sum_I a_I g^I$  lies in  $A\langle y_0, \dots, y_n \rangle$  and  $f \mapsto f \circ g$  is continuous.*

*Proof.*  $g^I$  is a polynomial of degree  $\leq |I|$  with integral coefficients and thus  $\|g^I\|_r \leq \|1\| \cdot |I|^r$ . Since  $\|a_I\| |I|^r$  tends to zero when  $|I|$  tends to infinity it follows that  $(\sum_{|I| \leq n} a_I g^I)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$  is a Cauchy sequence. Since  $A\langle y_0, \dots, y_n \rangle$  is complete this Cauchy sequence converges and the limit is  $f \circ g$ .

Moreover  $\|f \circ g\|_r = \|\sum_I a_I g^I\|_r \leq \sup_I \|a_I g^I\|_r \leq \sup_I \|a_I\| \cdot \|1\| \cdot |I|^r = \|1\| \cdot \|f\|_r$  and thus  $f \mapsto f \circ g$  is continuous.  $\square$

Recall that  $I_n \subset A\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle$  is the principal ideal generated by  $x_0 + \dots + x_n - 1$  and  $A_n := A\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle / I_n$ .

**Lemma A.3.** *The homomorphism  $\eta : A\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle \rightarrow A\langle t_1, \dots, t_n \rangle$  that sends  $x_i$  to  $t_i$  for  $i > 0$  and  $x_0$  to  $1 - t_1 - \dots - t_n$  induces an isomorphism  $A_n \rightarrow A\langle t_1, \dots, t_n \rangle$ .*

*Proof.* We have the obvious continuous section  $\iota : t_i \mapsto x_i$ ,  $i > 0$ , so that  $\eta$  is surjective. Assume  $f = \sum_I a_I x^I$  is in the kernel of  $\eta$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} f &= f - \iota(\eta(f)) = \\ &= \sum_I a_I (x^I - (1 - x_1 - \dots - x_n)^{|I|} x_1^{i_1} \dots x_n^{i_n}) \\ &= \sum_I a_I \cdot g_I \cdot (x_0 + \dots + x_n - 1) \end{aligned}$$

where the  $g_I$  are polynomials with integral coefficients of total degree  $\leq |I|$ . In particular  $\|g_I\|_r \leq \|1\| \cdot |I|^r$  and thus  $\sum_I a_I g^I$  is an element of  $A\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle$  which satisfies  $(\sum_I a_I g^I) \cdot (x_0 + \dots + x_n - 1) = f$ .  $\square$

If  $f \in I_m$  then clearly  $\phi^*(f) \in I_n$  and thus there are induced continuous homomorphisms  $\phi^* : A_m \rightarrow A_n$  for every  $\phi : [n] \rightarrow [m]$  which make  $[n] \mapsto A_n$  a simplicial Fréchet ring.

## A.2 Integration of differential forms

Fix a non archimedean field  $(K, |\cdot|)$  of characteristic 0. We want to define the integral of a  $n$ -form with values in  $K$  over the standard simplex  $\Delta^n$ . Since integration produces denominators we assume that there are constants  $C > 0$ ,  $s \in \mathbf{N}$  such that  $|\frac{1}{k}| \leq Ck^s$  for all  $k \in \mathbf{N}$ .

We define  $\Omega^0(\Delta^n) = K_n$ ,  $\Omega^1(\Delta^n) = (\bigoplus_{i=0}^n K_n dx_i) / (\sum_{i=0}^n dx_i)$  and  $\Omega^r(\Delta^n) = \bigwedge_{K_n}^r \Omega^1(\Delta^n)$  with the obvious differential  $d : \Omega^i(\Delta^n) \rightarrow \Omega^{i+1}(\Delta^n)$ .

Since  $\Omega^n(\Delta^n) = K_n dx_1 \dots dx_n$  every  $n$ -form  $\omega$  can be written uniquely as  $\omega = f dx_1 \dots dx_n$  with  $f \in K_n$ . We also denote by  $f$  the image  $\sum_I a_I x^I$  of  $f$  in  $K\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$ . We want to define

$$\int_{\Delta^n} \omega := \int_{\Delta^n} f dx_1 \dots dx_n := \sum_I a_I \int_{\Delta^n} x^I dx_1 \dots dx_n \in K,$$

where the integral on the right hand side is the usual integral of the  $n$ -form  $x^I dx_1 \dots dx_n$  over the geometric standard simplex  $\Delta^n \subset \mathbf{R}^{n+1}$  where the orientation of  $\Delta^n$  is given by  $dx_1 \dots dx_n$ .

**Proposition A.4.** *The above integral is well defined and  $\omega \mapsto \int_{\Delta^n} \omega$  gives a continuous homomorphism  $\Omega^n(\Delta^n) \rightarrow K$ .*

*Proof.* We have topological isomorphisms  $\Omega^n(\Delta^n) = K_n dx_1 \dots dx_n \xrightarrow{\cong} K_n \xrightarrow{\cong} K\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$  and by construction the integral  $\int_{\Delta^n}$  factors through this isomorphism. Thus we have to show that  $K\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle \ni f \mapsto \int_{\Delta^n} f dx_1 \dots dx_n \in K$  is well defined and continuous.

For simplicity we write  $\int_{\Delta^n} f$  for  $\int_{\Delta^n} f dx_1 \dots dx_n$ .  
For  $I = (i_1, \dots, i_n)$  one computes

$$\int_{\Delta^n} x^I = \prod_{j=1}^n \left( \sum_{l=0}^{i_j} \binom{i_j}{l} (-1)^l \frac{1}{n-j+1+l+\sum_{k=j+1}^n i_k} \right).$$

By our general assumption on  $K$  we have

$$\left| \frac{1}{n-j+1+l+\sum_{k=j+1}^n i_k} \right| \leq C \cdot \left( n-j+1+l+\sum_{k=j+1}^n i_k \right)^s \leq C(n+|I|)^s,$$

thus

$$\left| \int_{\Delta^n} x^I \right| \leq C^n (n+|I|)^{sn} \leq \tilde{C} |I|^{sn}$$

if  $|I| \geq 1$  with a constant  $\tilde{C}$  depending only on  $C$ ,  $n$  and  $s$ .

Now, for  $f = \sum_I a_I x^I \in K\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$ ,  $|a_I| \cdot |I|^{sn}$  tends to zero when  $|I|$  tends to infinity and thus  $\int_{\Delta^n} f = \sum_I a_I \int_{\Delta^n} x^I$  converges in  $A$ . Furthermore  $|\int_{\Delta^n} f| \leq \sup_I |a_I \int_{\Delta^n} x^I| \leq \max\{\tilde{C} \cdot \sup_I |a_I| \cdot |I|^{sn}, |\int_{\Delta^n} 1| \cdot |a_0|\} \leq (\text{const}) \cdot \max\{\|f\|_{sn}, \|f\|_0\}$ . It follows that  $f \mapsto \int_{\Delta^n} f$  is continuous.  $\square$

*Remark.* In the definition of the integral  $\int_{\Delta^n} \omega$  we could take any representative of  $f$  in  $K\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle$ . The resulting value of the integral would be the same.

### A.3 Dependence on parameters

For any  $K$ -Banach algebra  $A$  we denote by  $\mathcal{F}_\varepsilon(K^r, A)$  the Banach algebra of  $\varepsilon$ -convergent power series in  $r$  variables, i.e. power series  $f = \sum_J a_J y^J$ ,  $a_J \in A$ ,  $y = (y_1, \dots, y_r)$ ,  $J \in \mathbf{N}_0^r$  such that  $\lim_{|J| \rightarrow \infty} \|a_J\| \varepsilon^{|J|} = 0$ , with norm  $\|f\|_\varepsilon = \sup_J \|a_J\| \varepsilon^{|J|}$ .

**Definition.** Let  $M$  be a locally analytic  $r$ -dimensional  $K$ -manifold and  $f : M \rightarrow K\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle$  a function. We say that  $f$  is *locally analytic* if for every  $u \in M$  there exists an  $\varepsilon > 0$  and a chart  $M \supset V \xrightarrow{\psi} B_\varepsilon(0) = \{|\cdot| \leq \varepsilon\} \subset K^r$  with  $\psi(u) = 0$  such that  $f \circ \psi^{-1}$  is given by  $\sum_I a_I x^I$  where the  $a_I$  are in  $\mathcal{F}_\varepsilon(K^r, K)$  and satisfy  $\|a_I\|_\varepsilon \cdot |I|^t \rightarrow 0$  as  $|I| \rightarrow \infty$  for every  $t \in \mathbf{N}_0$ .

Note that if the condition is satisfied for  $u \in M$  with chart  $\psi : V \rightarrow B_\varepsilon(0)$  then it is also satisfied for all  $u' \in V$  with chart  $\psi - \psi(u')$ .

It follows from the next Proposition that if the condition of the definition is satisfied by one chart  $\psi : V \rightarrow B_\varepsilon(0)$  with  $u \in V$  and  $\psi(u) = 0$  then it is also satisfied by any other chart  $\psi' : V' \rightarrow B_{\varepsilon'}(0)$  with  $u \in V'$  and  $\psi'(u) = 0$  after possibly shrinking  $V'$ .

*Remark.* If we embed  $K\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle$  in the Banach algebra  $\mathcal{F}_1(K^{n+1}, K)$  then  $f : M \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_1(K^{n+1}, K)$  as above is locally analytic in the ordinary sense but not vice versa.

**Proposition A.5.** (a) Let  $f, g : M \rightarrow K\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle$  be locally analytic. Then also  $f + g$  and  $f \cdot g$  are locally analytic.

(b) If  $\varphi : M' \rightarrow M$  is locally analytic then  $f \circ \varphi : M' \rightarrow K\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle$  is locally analytic.

*Proof.* (a) is easy (cf. the proof of proposition A.1). (b) Let  $u' \in M'$ ,  $u := \varphi(u')$  and choose a chart  $u \in V \xrightarrow{\psi} B_\varepsilon(0)$  with  $\psi(v) = 0$  such that  $f \circ \psi^{-1}$  is of the form  $\sum_I a_I x^I$  with  $\|a_I\|_\varepsilon \cdot |I|^t \rightarrow 0$  as  $|I| \rightarrow \infty$  for every  $t \in \mathbf{N}_0$ . Choose a chart  $u' \in V' \xrightarrow{\psi'} B_{\varepsilon'}(0)$  for  $M'$  with  $\psi'(u') = 0$  such that  $\varphi(V') \subset V$ . We may assume that the induced map  $\tilde{\varphi} : B_{\varepsilon'}(0) \rightarrow B_\varepsilon(0)$  is given by a power series. Since  $\tilde{\varphi}(0) = 0$  it follows that  $\tilde{\varphi}$  has no constant term and therefore that  $\|\tilde{\varphi}\|_{\varepsilon''} \leq \frac{\varepsilon''}{\varepsilon} \|\tilde{\varphi}\|_{\varepsilon'}$  for every  $\varepsilon'' \leq \varepsilon$ . Thus we may assume that  $\|\tilde{\varphi}\|_{\varepsilon'} \leq \varepsilon$ . But then  $a_I \circ \tilde{\varphi}$  is a well defined power series in  $\mathcal{F}_{\varepsilon'}(K^{r'}, K)$  with  $\|a_I \circ \tilde{\varphi}\|_{\varepsilon'} \leq \|a_I\|_\varepsilon$ . Now  $f \circ \varphi \circ \psi'^{-1} = \sum_I (a_I \circ \tilde{\varphi}) x^I$  and the claim follows.  $\square$

We call  $f : M \rightarrow K_n$  *locally analytic* if it is locally analytic in the above sense under the identification  $K_n = K\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$ . One can check that if  $g : M \rightarrow K\langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle$  is locally analytic, so is the induced map  $M \rightarrow K_n$ .

**Proposition A.6.** Let  $f : M \rightarrow K_n$  be locally analytic. Then  $M \ni u \mapsto \varphi(u) := \int_{\Delta^n} f(u) dx_1 \dots dx_n \in K$  is locally analytic.

*Proof.* Fix a chart  $M \supset V \xrightarrow{\psi} B_\varepsilon(0)$  such that  $f \circ \psi^{-1} = \sum_I a_I x^I$  with  $\|a_I\|_\varepsilon \cdot |I|^s \rightarrow 0$  as  $|I| \rightarrow \infty$  for every  $s \in \mathbf{N}_0$  as in the definition. For  $I$  fixed the function  $B_\varepsilon(0) \ni v \mapsto \int_{\Delta^n} a_I(v) x^I dx_1 \dots dx_n = a_I(v) \int_{\Delta^n} x^I dx_1 \dots dx_n$  is given by the power series  $a_I \cdot (\int_{\Delta^n} x^I dx_1 \dots dx_n) \in \mathcal{F}_\varepsilon(K^r, K)$ . For  $|I| \geq 1$  we have  $\|a_I \cdot (\int_{\Delta^n} x^I dx_1 \dots dx_n)\|_\varepsilon \leq \|a_I\|_\varepsilon \cdot |(\int_{\Delta^n} x^I dx_1 \dots dx_n)| \leq \|a_I\|_\varepsilon \cdot \tilde{C} |I|^{sn}$  with  $\tilde{C}$  as in the proof of proposition A.4. Since  $\|a_I\|_\varepsilon |I|^{sn} \rightarrow 0$  as  $|I| \rightarrow \infty$  it follows that  $\sum_I a_I \cdot (\int_{\Delta^n} x^I dx_1 \dots dx_n)$  converges in  $\mathcal{F}_\varepsilon(K^r, K)$ . The claim follows since obviously  $\varphi \circ \psi^{-1} = \sum_I a_I \cdot (\int_{\Delta^n} x^I dx_1 \dots dx_n)$ .  $\square$

We will also write  $\int_{\Delta^n} f dx_1 \dots dx_n$  for the function  $\varphi$  in the above proposition.

**Proposition A.7.** Assume that  $M = B_\varepsilon(0) \subset K^r$  and  $f : M \rightarrow K_n$  is given by  $\sum_I a_I x^I$  with  $\|a_I\|_\varepsilon |I|^t \rightarrow 0$  as  $|I| \rightarrow \infty$ .

(i)  $\partial_i f := \sum_I (\partial_i a_I) x^I$  is well defined and locally analytic.

(ii)  $\int_{\Delta^n} (\partial_i f) dx_1 \dots dx_n = \partial_i \int_{\Delta^n} f dx_1 \dots dx_n$ .

(iii) If  $g : M \rightarrow K_n$  is of the same type then  $\partial_i(fg) = (\partial_i f)g + f(\partial_i g)$ .

*Proof.* One easily sees that  $\partial_i : \mathcal{F}_\varepsilon(K^r, K) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_\varepsilon(K^r, K)$  is well defined and continuous with  $\|\partial_i a\|_\varepsilon \leq \varepsilon^{-1} \|a\|_\varepsilon$ . Thus (i) follows. Then  $\int_{\Delta^n} (\partial_i f) dx_1 \dots dx_n = \sum_I (\partial_i a_I) \int_{\Delta^n} x^I dx_1 \dots dx_n = \partial_i (\sum_I a_I \int_{\Delta^n} x^I dx_1 \dots dx_n) = \partial_i \int_{\Delta^n} f dx_1 \dots dx_n$  by definition of the integral and the continuity of  $\partial_i$ . The last assertion is clear.  $\square$

More generally, if  $P$  is a free  $K_n$ -module of finite rank we say that a function  $f : M \rightarrow P$  is locally analytic if all component functions with respect to a given basis of  $P$  are locally analytic. Then analogues of the above propositions hold. In particular we are interested in the case where  $P = \text{Mat}_N(K_n)$  or  $P = \text{Mat}_N(K_n) \otimes_{K_n} \Omega^r(\Delta^n)$ .

Now we can prove that the cocycle  $f$  in theorem 2.4 is in fact locally analytic.

**Proposition A.8.** *The function  $U_N(R)^{\times(2n-1)} \rightarrow K$ ,*

$$(g_1, \dots, g_{2n-1}) \mapsto \text{Tr} \int_{\Delta^{2n-1}} (d\nu \cdot \nu^{-1})^{2n-1}$$

where  $\nu = \nu(g_1, \dots, g_{2n-1}) = \sum_{i=0}^{2n-1} x_i g_{i+1} \cdots g_{2n-1} \in \text{GL}_N(R_{2n-1})$  is locally analytic.

*Proof.* It suffices to show that  $\nu^{-1} : (g_1, \dots, g_{2n-1}) \mapsto \nu(g_1, \dots, g_{2n-1})^{-1}$  and  $d\nu : (g_1, \dots, g_{2n-1}) \mapsto d(\nu(g_1, \dots, g_{2n-1}))$  are locally analytic, where the above functions are considered as functions on  $U_N(R)^{\times(2n-1)}$  with values in  $N \times N$ -matrices with coefficients in  $\Omega^0(\Delta^{2n-1}) = K_{2n-1}$  resp.  $\Omega^1(\Delta^{2n-1})$ .

This is clear for  $d\nu$ . Set  $\varepsilon := |\pi|$  and consider the global chart  $\psi : U_N(R)^{\times(2n-1)} \rightarrow \pi \text{Mat}_N(R) = B_\varepsilon(0) \subset K^{N \times N}$  whose inverse is given by  $(M_1, \dots, M_{2n-1}) \mapsto (1 + M_1, \dots, 1 + M_{2n-1})$ . Then  $\nu^{-1} \circ \psi^{-1}$  is given by  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (\sum_{i=0}^{2n-1} x_i h_i)^k$  where  $h_i : \pi \text{Mat}_N(R) \rightarrow \text{Mat}_N(K)$  is the function  $(M_1, \dots, M_{2n-1}) \mapsto 1 - (1 + M_{i+1}) \cdots (1 + M_{2n-1})$  (cf. the proof of lemma 2.3). Since  $h_i$  has no constant term and only integral coefficients we have  $\|h_i\|_\varepsilon \leq \varepsilon$ . The coefficient of  $x^I$  in the above expansion of  $\nu^{-1} \circ \psi^{-1}$  is of the form  $h^I + \text{permutations}$  and thus  $\|(\text{coefficient of } x^I)\|_\varepsilon \leq \|h_0\|_\varepsilon^{i_0} \cdots \|h_{2n-1}\|_\varepsilon^{i_{2n-1}} \leq \varepsilon^{|I|}$ . Since  $\varepsilon < 1$  it follows that  $\|(\text{coefficient of } x^I)\|_\varepsilon \cdot |I|^t$  tends to zero as  $|I|$  tends to infinity for every  $t \in \mathbf{N}_0$  and thus that  $\nu^{-1}$  is locally analytic.  $\square$

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