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Proof that  $\delta(f \circ g) = (\delta f) \circ g + (-1)^p f \circ (\delta g)$   
where  $f: S_p(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ ,  $g: S_q(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ .

Idea Prove they have the same value at  
a free generator  $T: \Delta_{p+q+1} \rightarrow X$  of

$S_{p+q+1}(X)$ . Given  $i_0 < \dots < i_n$ , let  $v_{i_0} \dots v_{i_n} =$   
restriction of  $T$  to simplex/vertices  $e_{ij}$

LHS  $\delta(f \circ g)(T) =$

$$\sum_i (-1)^i f \circ g(v_0 \dots \widehat{v_i} \dots v_{p+q+1}) =$$

$$\sum_{i \leq p} (-1)^i f(v_0 \dots \widehat{v_i} \dots v_{p+1}) g(v_{p+1} \dots v_{p+q+1}) +$$

$$\sum_{i \geq p+1} (-1)^i f(v_0 \dots v_p) g(v_p \dots \widehat{v_i} \dots v_{p+q+1})$$

RHS Do pieces separately:

$$(\delta f) \circ g(T) =$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{p+1} (-1)^i f(v_0 \dots \widehat{v_i} \dots v_{p+1}) g(v_{p+1} \dots v_{p+q+1})$$

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$$(-1)^p f \circ \delta g(T) =$$

$$(-1)^p \sum_{i=p}^{p+q+1} (-1)^{i-p} f(v_0 \dots v_p) g(v_p \dots v_i \dots v_{p+q+1})$$

If we subtract  $\delta(f \circ g)(T)$  from

$\delta f \circ g(T) + (-1)^p f \circ \delta g(T)$  we are left with the  $p+1$  term in the sum for  $\delta f \circ g(T)$  and the  $p$  term in the sum for  $(-1)^p f \circ \delta g(T)$ , which is

$$(-1)^{p+1} f(v_0 \dots v_p) g(v_{p+1} \dots v_{p+q+1}) + (-1)^p f(v_0 \dots v_p) g(v_{p+1} \dots v_{p+q+1})$$

and since  $(-1)^{p+1} + (-1)^p = 0$  these cancel each other. Hence the two expressions have the same value at  $T$ , which was what we wanted to prove.