

Cohomology Ring of n -Lie Algebras

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ABSTRACT

Natural graded Lie brackets on the space of cochains of n -Leibniz and n -Lie algebras are introduced. It turns out that these brackets agree under the natural embedding introduced by Gautheron. Moreover, n -Leibniz and n -Lie algebras turn to be canonical structures for these brackets in a similar way in which associative algebras (respectively, Lie algebras) are canonical structures for the Gerstenhaber bracket (respectively, Nijenhuis-Richardson bracket). This allows to define the corresponding cohomology operators and graded Lie algebra structures on the cohomology spaces in an uniform simple way by means of square zero elements.

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